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## FOREWORD

After carefully considering a theme for the '48 Sturgensian, the Annual Staff agreed that a Treasure Chest of Memories is what any yearbook really represents.

1. Memories of our School
2. Memories of our Teachers
3. Memories of our Classmates
4. Memories of our Activities
5. Memories of our Athletics
6. Memories of our Patrons

It is these rich memories that we, the Class of '48, dedicate this volume of the Sturgensian. Each time you open the covers of this, our Treasure Chest, may this eventful year live again in your hearts.

The Staff





# ways Remember

# STURGIS HIGH







# Our Faculty

Long, long be the heart with Memories fill'd!  
 Like the vase in which roses have once been distill'd;  
 You may break, you may shatter the vase if you will,  
 But the scent of the roses will hang around it still.

—Thomas Moore



R. E. Snow





# Representing the People



Bottom—Paul Yoder, Sec.-Treas.; Luther Graves, Trustee.  
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Top—Howard Hamilton, Trustee; Milton Seger, Trustee.

## School Board

The School Board is a representative body of the people, chosen by the people to determine the school's problems.

We owe them the credit for the benefits we have received from our education.

Senior Class

## Our Superintendent

The Sturgensian Staff and Sponsors have worked hard to present this book to the students and friends of Sturgis High School.

The following pages portray the students of this school working, playing and living together. Our America is a land where people of all races, creeds and kinds must work, play and live together in concerted agreement. Knowledge and friendships must supplant the prejudices and hatreds that are so disturbing to our world today.

Congratulations to all who have co-operated in the making of this Sturgensian.

Sincerely yours,

Paul M. Winger





# Directing the Students



## Our Principal

Congratulations to the class of 1948 for this fine Sturgensian. It has been made possible by the cooperation of the staff, sponsor, advertisers and those responsible for its construction. Herein is portrayed by word and picture the year 1947-48 in Sturgis High School. It provides you with a very interesting record of the "highlights" of your last year in High School. Preserve this book well; it will become more valuable to you as time passes by.

Sincerely yours,

J. C. Perry

## Our Office Workers



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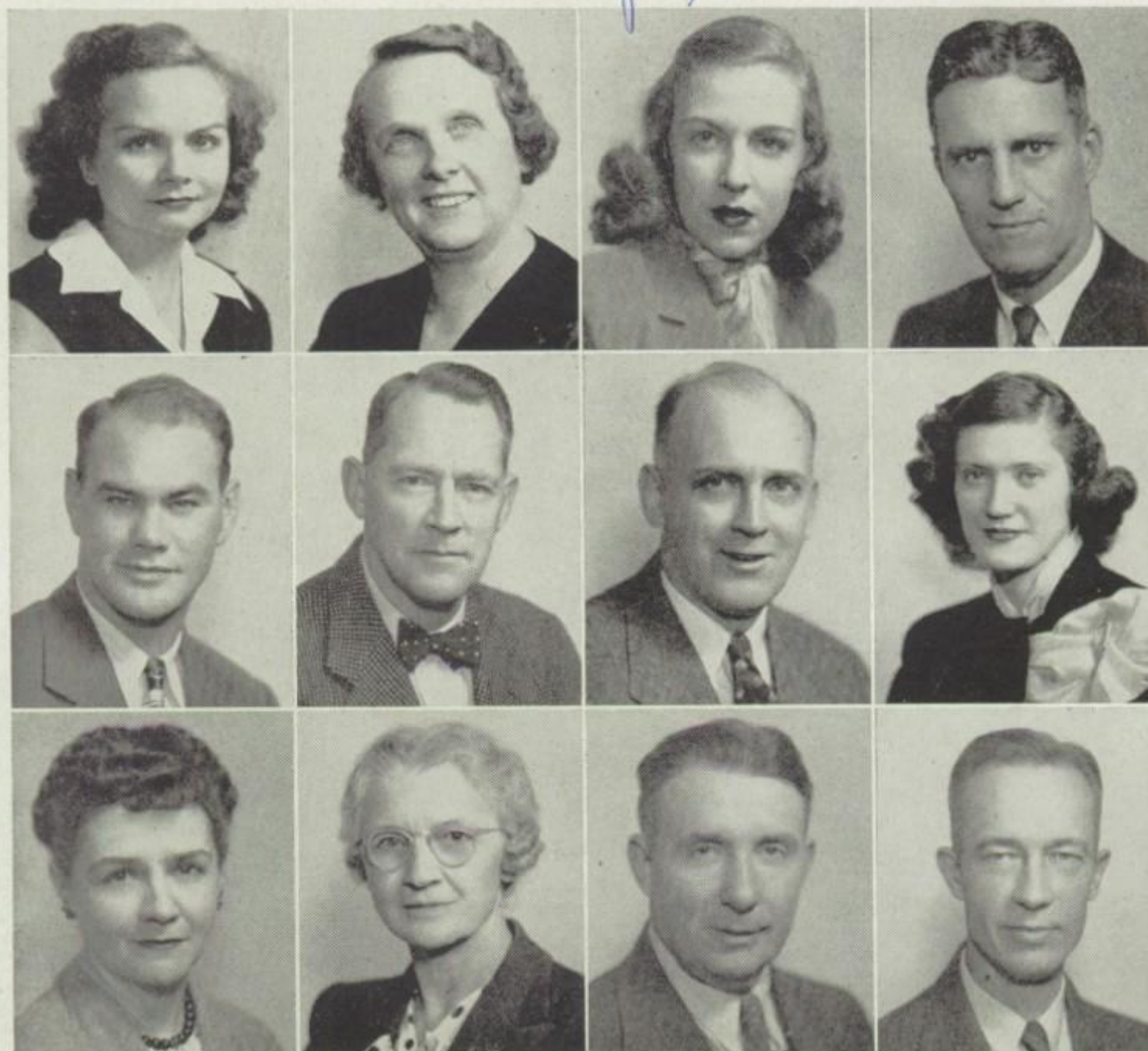
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*See you next year!  
Mr. De Pina  
Flo Huzenga*



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*Coach Veld*

*Mr. De Pina  
Betty Whitelock  
'48*

## Our School In Session

On the following pages of this next section, dear reader, we are taking you on a tour through our building so that you may enjoy with us the recorded memories we have made of one typical day in our school.



## FUTURE FINANCIERS

In commercial classes we meant business, both literally and figuratively. Mrs. Haack and Mr. DeHaven inoculated us with all the phases of the business world.

The commercial classes begin in the 10th year. Bookkeeping I starts the business training, since this is the background needed for other work. Bookkeeping II is offered to those who expect to specialize in this field.

Shorthand I and Typing I are offered in the 11th year. Shorthand, at first, was just hieroglyphics, but soon each little wave and dot had a meaning we all understood. We Juniors soon learned that one can get a thrill out of learning the complicated mechanism of a typewriter.

In the Senior year, Typing II and Shorthand II are offered. The fact that 170 pupils are enrolled in the commercial courses gives one an idea of the ever growing popularity of this course.

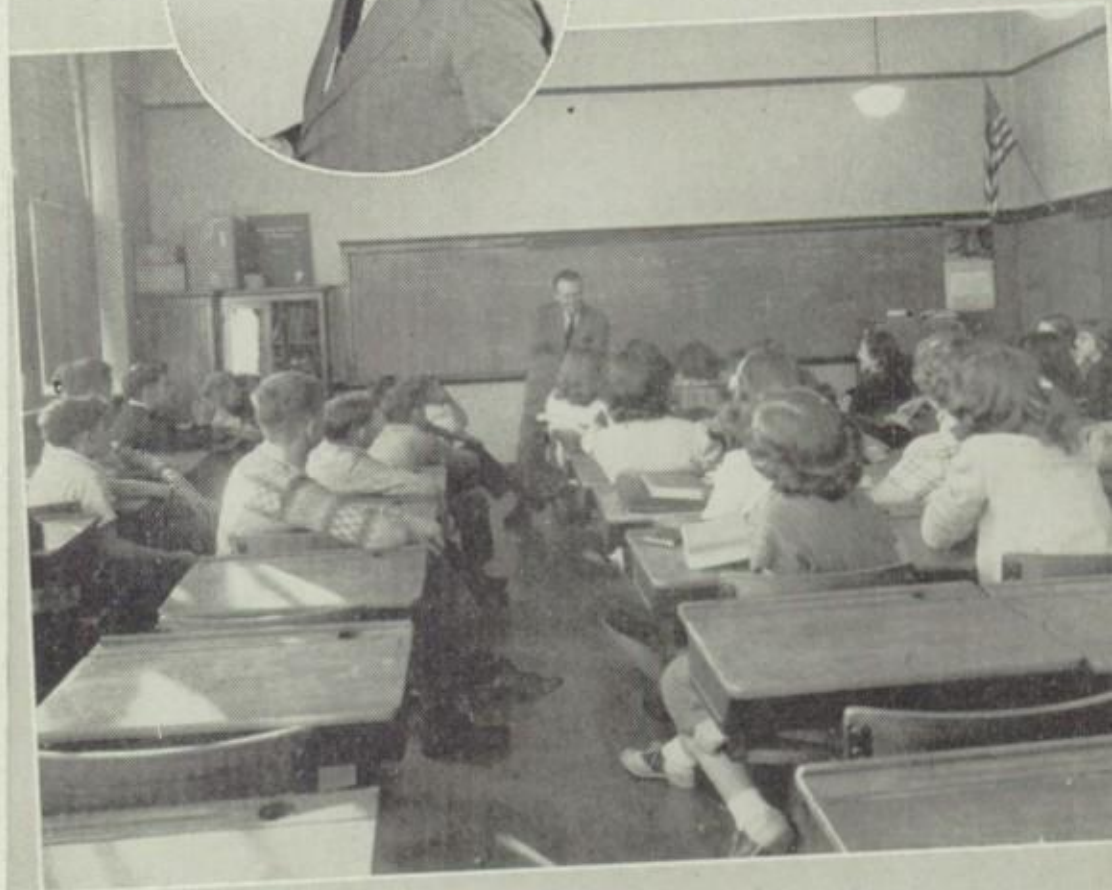
If office work is the choice of the student, he will have every opportunity to prepare himself for his job.

## TOOLS FOR DEMOCRACY

Using text books as magic carpets and maps to show the way, we flew across the long lapse of time in our history classes.

In Junior High, Miss Collins and Mr. Finlay told us the story of America—of the pioneers in America—the Civil War—and the building of America.

In Mr. Maner's World History Classes, we joined both common people and kings and learned about not only the glories of the ancient world, but also the mistakes, that we might profit from them. We studied the history of early man; civilization in ancient Egypt, Mesopotamia, Greece and Rome; feudalism; modern empires, and the modern world.



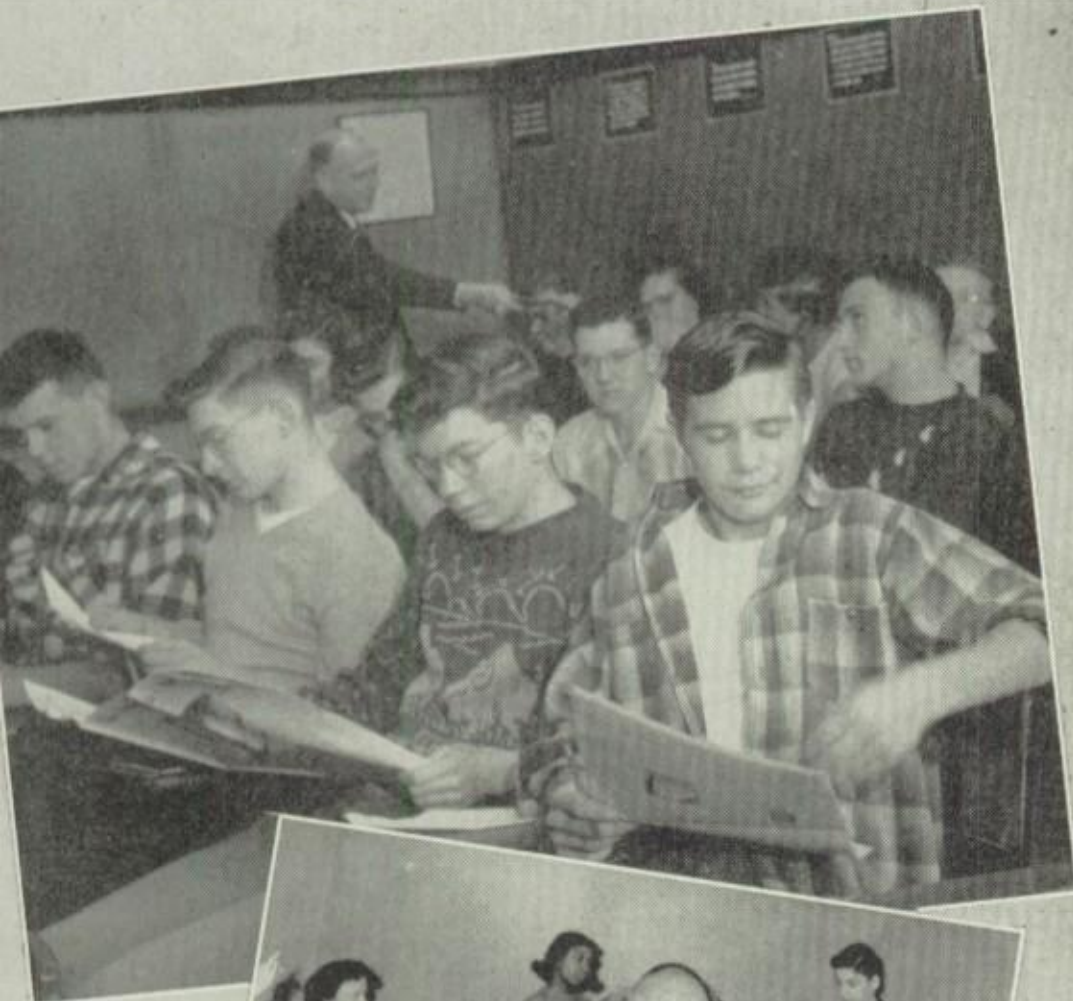
1—Girls in Mrs. Vera Haack's shorthand class are all ready for dictation.

2—Mr. Cecil DeHaven is ready to give the "go" sign.

3—Mr. Finlay with that certain gleam in his eye.

4—Mr. Bob Finlay: "Now, boys and girls, who do you think will be our next president?"





## TOOLS FOR DEMOCRACY (Cont'd)

As we reviewed American history in Mr. Maner's classes and Mr. Peck's classes, the tools of democracy were placed in our hands. We delved deeper into causes and effects and tried to understand and appreciate the history of our country. We realized how much we had forgotten about our country and forefathers. During this year, the "American Observer" was our key to modern times.

We tackled the civic problems of adulthood in Mr. Peck's government classes. Here, we took the Constitution apart to see what makes it work and wrote a thesis on its evolution. So that our generation might realize the dreams and aims of our forefathers we discussed the privileges and responsibilities of the American citizen. Here again, the American Observer kept us up-to-date in regard to current, local, national, and world news.

Our economics classes, also taught by Mr. Peck, led us through five units: (1) Introduction to field of Economics; (2) Consumption; (3) Production (4) Exchange; and (5) Distribution, acquainting us with social and economic conditions under which we live.

Through these courses our boys and girls are taught to be better citizens of tomorrow.

- 1) Mr. Peck—Who wants a pencil?
- 2) Miss Collins—Joe, tell Ann what places to locate.
- 3) Mr. Maner—Come on, boys, let's tour Europe.



## THE QUEENS ARE IN THE KITCHEN

Next in our exploration of the class-rooms we come to those rooms on the first floor which are the sanctuary of the Home-Ec "studes".

Here we learned that instead of the same old routine of just cooking and sewing, the course has grown to be one which includes nutrition; planning, preparing and serving meals; preservation and storing food; buying, using, and caring for all types of household equipment; art of entertaining; study of textiles; care and operation of the sewing machine; construction of clothes; clothing budget and personal grooming; home furnishing; money management problems; child care and home nursing. You say this sounds like an old cut and dried course you wouldn't be interested in? Don't tell me you haven't turned green with envy at some of the darling, "new-look" outfits that have emerged from those doors! They are the special products of the Home-Ec II girls. Their project is to remodel and add to their wardrobes which is something we all would like to do if we were only capable.

These girls are also given a unit of 30 class hours of child care and home nursing which is supervised by a registered nurse.

We've always heard that "the way to a man's heart is through his stomach". If there is any truth in this old adage the Home Ec. I girls will discover it. They are spending most of their time learning about foods and how to prepare them. They are the originators of those wonderful baked foods we get a rare glimpse of once in a while at the baked-goods sales after school.

In Home-Ec III class we found the girls pondering over the age-old question "after high school, what?" They were planning careers for themselves, with homemaking and family life predominating for most of them.

We felt assured as we left this department that here is a group of girls who are leaving high school well equipped to take their place in that world for which the majority of girls do prepare themselves—home making.







### THEY CREATE THINGS BEAUTIFUL

In an art class the creative impulse of students finds expression in some material form. It may be in painting, in drawing, in modeling with clay or in the choosing, handling, arranging and construction of materials. Regardless of the medium, there is always the satisfaction of achievement in this kind of work. Drawing is a universal language. It can tell a story more dramatically than words.

Many professions and occupations depend on a knowledge of this basic language—the picture instead of words. It has been said a good picture is worth a thousand words. A drawing has the same meaning in any language. We do all our building from drawings—whether it be an egg beater or a skyscraper.

In the beginning art classes the work has been practical as well as ornamental. Portfolios were made out of cardboard and covered. Students worked on color, making a study of the color wheel and experimented with different combinations of colors.

At Christmas time this class made gifts. After this, they did portrait work and drew pictures of students' faces. Then they did figure drawing, poster work and perspective work which had to do with still life and landscape. In all, this class covered quite a bit of ground.

In the advanced class, the student is given more freedom in experimenting with various mediums, and is allowed to create his own subject matter. They experiment with mediums they haven't worked with before, such as oil painting, etc. Any art work needed by the school is taken care of by this class. Painting the scenery for the operetta is an example.

Art plays a very important part in the life of any school child for his life can be made more pleasant, satisfying and purposeful when he is taught to create and build and to be instilled with a love for, and appreciation of, things beautiful.



- 1) Hard at work doing some of those attractive projects we have seen in the show cases all year.



## MIND AND MATTER

Surrounded by test tubes, microscopes, and Brunson Burners, we scientists of tomorrow dissected frogs and brought the wrath of the school upon us by concocting  $H^2S$ .

Beginning in the seventh grade we learned about the world and the people about us from our geography teacher, Miss Wakeman.

Mr. Bowdish gave us an understanding of general science in the eighth grade. It was at this time that we learned how and why things happen. Perhaps the experience we will remember longest was our "brief" sojourn in the electric chair!

Biology was our next undertaking of science. Here we became acquainted with life—its function and phases. Words like "platyhelminthe" and "monocotyledon" swamped us for a while but we soon added them to our vocabularies.

Along with our regular classroom work we often had educational movies which gave variety to the course.

The next year Mr. DeWitt taught us the fundamentals of the major sciences—physics and chemistry. We learned the functions of atoms and molecules in chemistry and gained a practical everyday use of science in these senior science classes.

We are trying to prepare ourselves to promote peace through the use of science in the future years.



- 1) Mr. DeWitt—Class, let's discuss this seriously.
- 2) Terry M—Bob, what do we add next?
- 3) Jerry M.—Teacher, I don't think that's the right answer.



The top photograph shows two female students in the foreground, one holding a book, looking towards a chalkboard. On the right side of the chalkboard, a list of words is written in cursive: "holidays", "advice", "extra", "all right", "disagree", "continue", "frank", "weak", "danger", "easy", "sorry". Another student is visible on the far right, also looking at the board.

The middle photograph captures a classroom scene where a male student in a light-colored shirt is focused on writing at his desk. In the background, a female teacher stands observing the class. Other students are partially visible, some looking towards the camera.

The bottom-left photograph features a male student in a light-colored shirt sitting at a desk, intently reading a book. To his right, a female student is smiling and looking towards the camera. Further right, another male student is seen reading a book.

The bottom-right photograph shows a wider view of the classroom. Several students are seated at their desks, some working on papers. A long bookshelf filled with books runs along the back wall of the room.

Come with me, as I take you on a conducted tour to the rooms where our English teachers reign. Let's look first into the seventh grade room. Here, in our Junior High English courses, we began supressing our "aint's" and our "has went's". There Miss Wakeman and Mr. Smith taught us to write letters, carry on conversation, use parts of speech correctly, and to make correct sentences.

Miss Whitelock in grade eight showed us that "Tom Sawyer" and "Treasure Island" are even more exciting than comic books. Under her guidance we learned how and what to read.

Freshman English under Mrs. Pugh and Mr. Raymond Smith carried us well along our English road. Correct speech, correct writing, book reports,—all the fields of English usage—were explored. We learned to like the "classics", in spite of our earlier prejudices.

Miss Huizenga in English ten gave us much interesting project work. Our bulletin board, featuring people and events pertaining to English, intrigued us and kept us busy. She taught us "to have something to say and be able to say it." Speech class work covered public speaking, interpretative reading of poetry and dramatics.

Final polish was given in our junior and senior years, emphasizing perfection in preparation, in a great many cases, for college work. The final test was the ability to write compositions which were appealing and accurate to the last comma, the knowledge of the world's great masterpieces in literature, and the desire for future reading. In journalism, under Mrs. Pugh's direction, we acquired an understanding of newspaper work.

Our goal in all our years of English study has been to make us better prepared to become a part of cultured society. Science has given us methods of communications—the printing press, the telephone, the radio—we must know how to use them properly.

- 1) Mrs. Pugh—Let's tackle the spelling lessons.
- 2) Miss Huizenga—Get your papers ready for a test.
- 3) Miss Whitelock—Yes, Sheridan, use 'lie' in that sentence.
- 4) Seventh graders write their spelling words.



## MASTERING TOOLS AND MACHINES

Now, dear reader, if you'll step outdoors with me for a breath of fresh air, we'll walk down the sidewalk to the building where the Industrial Arts classes are held.

It is here that the boys of Sturgis High School learn not only to be the "handy man around the house", but also to become skillful in a lifetime trade. The boys learn to cut, drill, and polish shapeless pieces of wood and metal into useful and beautiful objects.

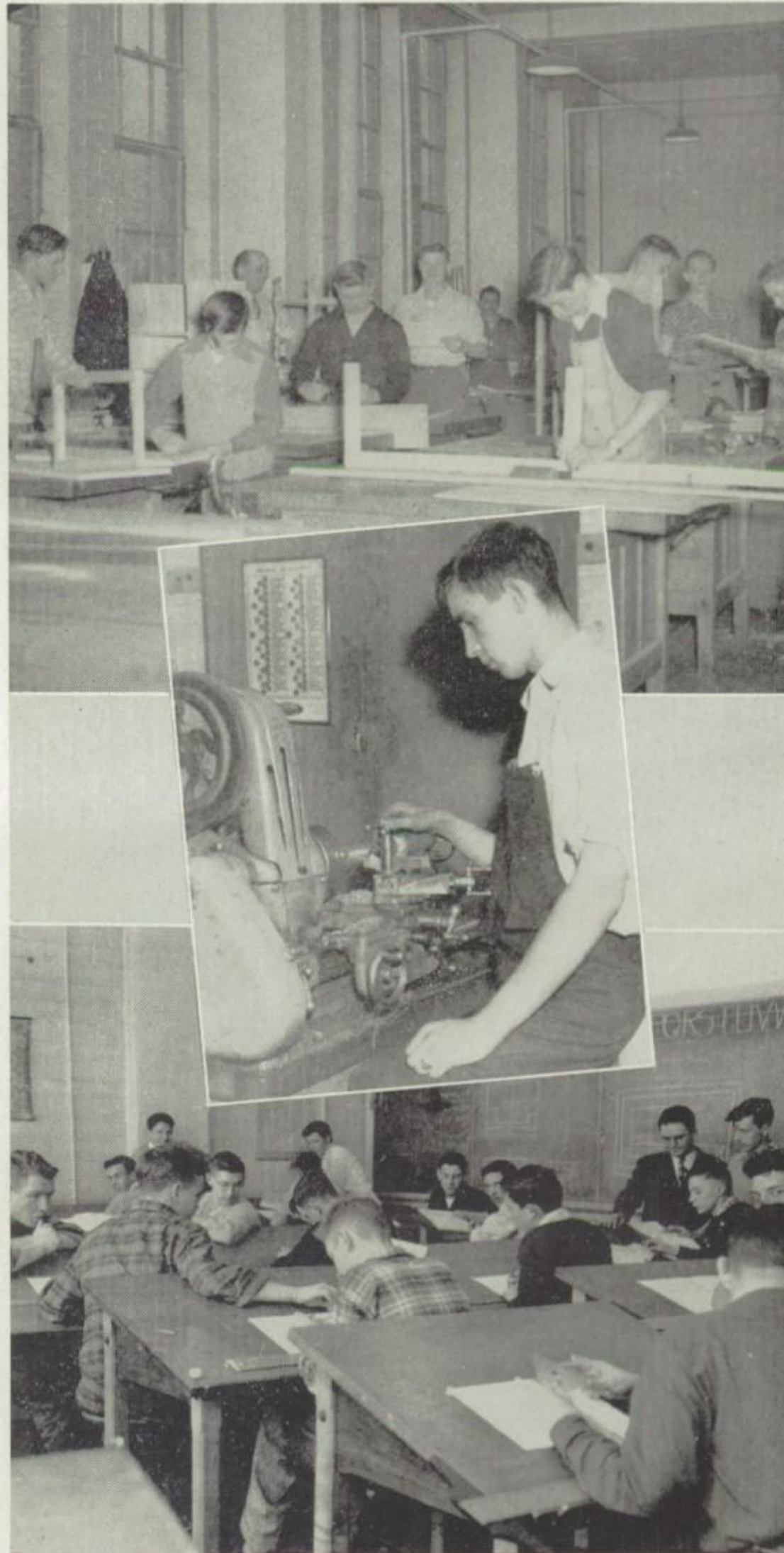
The Industrial Arts programs begins in the eighth grade and it is taught as a required subject. This first year consists of one semester of grade drawing taught by Mr. Carpenter, and one semester of fundamentals of shop work taught by Mr. Borgerding.

The student, if he wishes, may take advanced mechanical drawing under the direction of Mr. Carpenter. This class consists of drawing machine fastenings and other parts of machinery. The advanced class, open only for seniors, is the machine drawing class. Detailed pieces of machinery with some designing is the aim of this class.

The first year of machine shop is planned to teach the boys the fundamentals of machine work. Classes consist of blue print reading as well as text book work. Some of the products of the first year's labors are different types of hammers, punches, file handles, and meat pounders.

The new wastepaper carts now being used by the janitors were designed and built by the advanced machine shop class. When any repairs are needed around school, the advanced machine shop class can usually comply with utmost satisfaction.

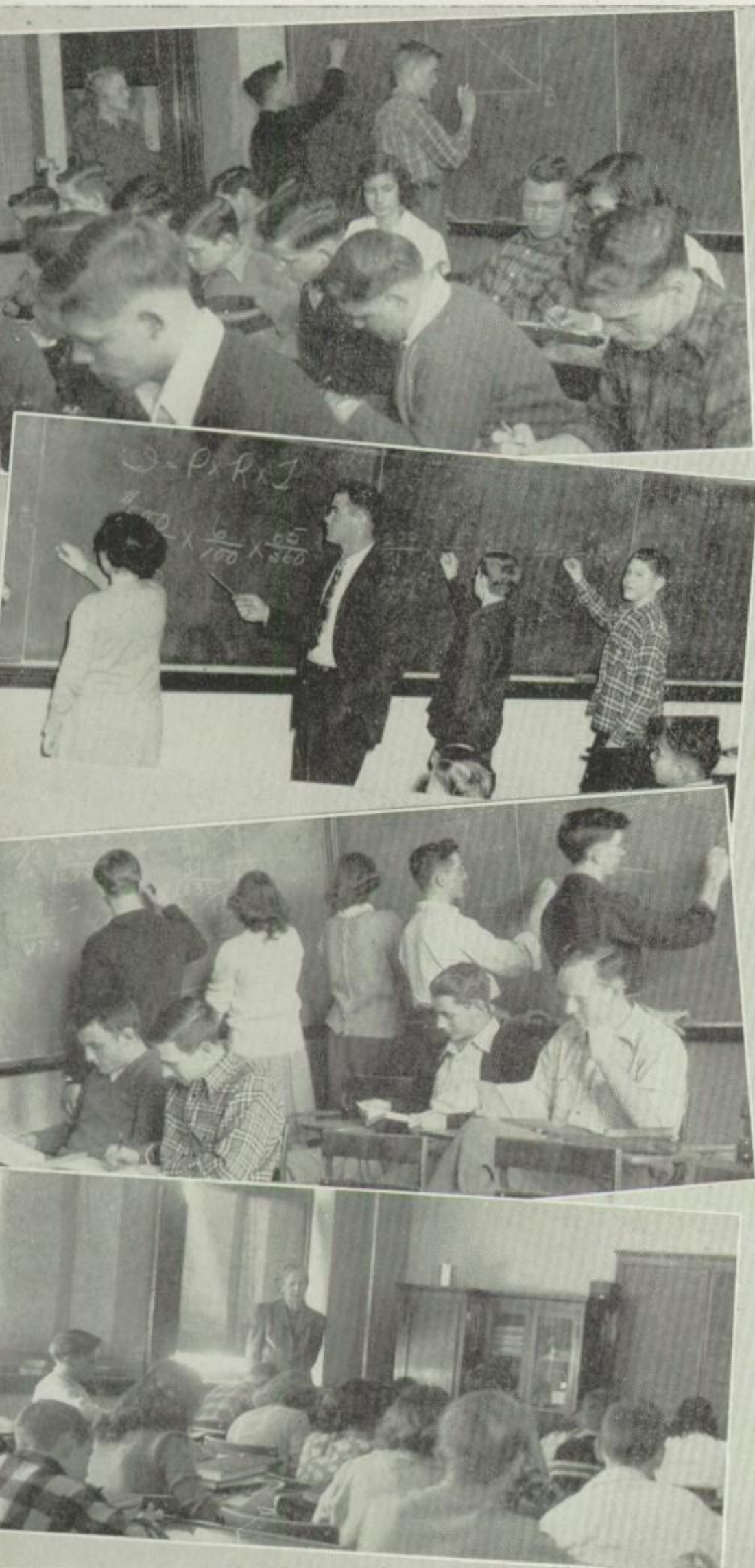
We can't help but feel as we leave this department to continue our tour of the building that right here was being born some of our future welders, plumbers, draftsmen and master craftsmen of all kinds.



- 1 Mr. Borgerding—Directing the woodworking department.
- 2 Bob Brown—What makes this thing tick?
- 3 Mr. Carpenter—Supervising details of Mechanical Drawing.



# School In Session



$$A^2 + B^2 = ? ? ?$$

After six years of  $2+2=4$  and "how many apples", we started out on higher mathematics in the seventh grade. Two of the first stops on our tour of the Math. dept. brought us to Mr. P. Miller's and Mr. R. Miller's rooms. Here we found the students reviewing the basic arithmetic principles and being initiated in their first tricky problems.

In the eighth grade room we found Mrs. Brokaw carrying on where the "Millers" left off. They were laying linoleum, papering walls, figuring the number of barrels of cement for a walk, following the stock market, and trying to keep their checking accounts straight.

From here our conducted tour took us to the freshman algebra class and general math class. Here we found the little "freshies" struggling for hours over an equation only to discover that they had forgotten to change one of those gremlin "+" or "-" signs. X's, y's and z's were fairly haunting them.

There goes the bell. We'd better move on! Our next stops were at sophomore geometry and advanced algebra and trigonometry classes. Here we found vocabularies built around such words as planes, angles, parallelograms, sines, co-sines, logarithms, tangents, and segments. It fairly made our heads swim!

We know that all these facts and figures are important, but what those students are gaining most from their math work is to think for themselves. They may forget the Pythagorean Theorem, but the ability to reason, once obtained—will stick.

- 1) Mrs. Seitz—Construct your figures properly, boys.
- 2) Mr. P. Miller—What will the interest be?
- 3) The wise seniors doing their adding by a complicated method.
- 4) Mrs. Brokaw's—Let's see who can find the right answer first.



## JUST BROWSING

Whether we were looking for a book about cowboys and Indians, or information on the Chemistry of the blast furnace, we were sure to find it in our large library. Mrs. Brown always found time to recommend a good book or to show us where to look for what we wanted.

Much of the routine work in our library is done by student librarians who check out books and see that the "p's" were not mixed with the "q's" on the bookshelves. In proof of the fact that a library is a work center for the entire school, the record of daily attendance speaks for itself—for no fewer than 175-200 pupils are in attendance each day.

## THE SCHOOL AND THE JOB

At the right you see Mr. Kenneth Squires, who is the coordinator of diversified occupational training in our school. His program, which was introduced for the first time this year, provides training in three fields of occupation—office and clerical workers, workers in trade and industry, and workers in retail or distributive occupations. It is a combination of theoretical classroom instruction and practical experience on the job.

The advantages of this program are many for employer and student alike, and we have a feeling that it has been one of the chief factors in keeping many a student in school.







### THE STUDY HOUR

When the warning bell sounds at the beginning of each school hour the crowd which has gathered to pick up books, or perhaps to chat a minute in G. S. R. with that special friend, disperses and off to class trudge those for whom that bell has meant another class. When the smoke had cleared and quiet was once more reigning on the day on which we took the above pictures we found this group busily at work.

For them another General Session Room hour had begun. Now don't let the above picture deceive you, dear reader. "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy", is an old adage which is also practiced daily in G. S. R.

But seriously this room is the one set aside in which we students are to do our studying under the supervision each hour of some member of the faculty.

### THE LUNCH HOUR

Ting a ling, ling, l—i—n—g! ! There goes the bell. It's 11:20 by each class room clock. Out of my way, pal. Where am I going? Why, down to lunch. There's a mad rush down the corridor, down the stairs we go, around the next turn on one foot, through the gates and—puff, puff, puff. We made it! We're first in line. We? By we, we mean those three lucky guys whose pictures you see to the left with those loaded trays. They've made it again.

Look at those trays, will you, heaped with that delicious food which the girls in the picture above helped prepare.

Ah, yes, friends, 11:20 by the clock is welcome news for us all.



## OUR LOYAL CUSTODIANS

Someone must have the task of picking up after six hundred students, sweeping, dusting and keeping the classrooms and halls shipshape, maintaining the grounds, rolling the lawn in spring, cutting the grass in summer, raking the leaves in fall, and shoveling the snow in winter in the early hours before school begins. This big job is performed by those good natured men you see pictured on the right. Reading from left to right they are:

H. McLauchlin, C. Hobel, H. Fisk, C. Wetzel, H. Niles, W. Krick.

Thanks to this group of good scouts who are responsible for our comfort the whole year around.

## DRIVERS' EDUCATION

Danger ahead! Beware! Travel at your own risk! Here comes the Drivers' Education Car!

This new course has been added to the curriculum in Sturgis High School and is open to any student who desires to learn the "why" and "how" about correct driving practices. The course is taught by Robert Finlay and Harold Bowdish, who took a course in Driver's Education themselves and are well-qualified teachers.

This course is a very good thing, as it offers an education which, in this day and age, is almost a necessity for survival. The course consists of a series of ten lessons which are followed closely. Each lesson must be successfully completed before the student is allowed to go on to the next.

Drivers' Education is a course designed to last for a six-weeks period. The first trial of the course proved so successful that it will be offered at the beginning of each six-weeks period for the remainder of the year.



1. The clean up squad
2. Mr. Finlay giving last minute directions
3. The bus and its driver, "Herb"





# Our Classmates

Where is the heart that doth not keep,  
Within its inmost core,  
Some fond remembrance hidden deep,  
Of days that are no more?

—E. C. Howarth







# Seniors "48"



## Class Officers

**JOAN SHERRY, *President*** Notre Dame High 1, 2; Chorus 3, 4; Band 3, 4; J-Hop Committee; Operetta 3, 4; Class Officer 4; G.A.A. Officer 4; D.A.R. Award 4; Senior Play; Junior Play Committee; Intramurals 4; Choral Club 3, 4; Choral Club Officer 4; Trojan Staff; Dramatic Club 3; All-State Band 4; Quill and Scroll; Honor Roll.

**TOM WALTERS, *Vice President*** Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Track 3, 4; Chorus 4; Sturgensian Staff; Class Officer 2, 3, 4; Trojan Staff; J-Hop Committee; Senior Play; Intramurals 1; Quill and Scroll; Honor Roll.

**CONNIE NORRIS, *Secretary*** Niles High School 1; G.A.A. 3, 4; Chorus 4; Class Officer 4; J-Hop Committee; Junior Play; Senior Play; Sturgensian Staff; Trojan Staff; Operetta 4; Intramurals 3, 4; Choral Club 4; Quill and Scroll.

**CONNIE DANNEBERG, *Treasurer*** Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; Dramatic Club Officer 2, 3, 4; Intramurals 1, 2, 3, 4; Trojan Staff Editor; Senior Play; Class Officer 4; J-Hop Committee; Junior Play; Sturgensian Staff; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Honor Roll; Quill and Scroll.

**JAMES FORD, *Student Union*** Lower Marion Junior High 1; Football 2, 3, 4; Wrestling 3; Track 3; Intramurals 3, 4; Junior Play; Senior Play; Operetta 4; Student Council 3, 4; Trojan Staff Officer 4; Sturgensian Sales Staff; Varsity Club 3, 4; Varsity Club Officer 3, 4; Chorus 4; J-Hop Committee; Quill and Scroll; Quill and Scroll Officer.

**ELLEN TOMPKINS, *Student Union*** G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. Officer 2, 3, 4; Class Officer 2; Intramurals 1, 2, 3, 4; Chorus 2, 4; Senior Play; Junior Play Committee; Sturgensian Staff; Trojan Staff; J-Hop Committee; Operetta 1, 4; Choral Club 4; Student Council Officer 4; Student Council 1, 4; Quill and Scroll; Quill and Scroll Officer.



good case of all the 11<sup>th</sup> grade  
 women for me. Doris



CORINA AILES Band 1, 2, 3; Chorus 2, 4; Intramurals 4; Senior Play; Commercial Club 4.

JUNE AVERY Clearwater High School 1; Band 2, 3, 4; Intramurals 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; Dramatic Club 2, 3; Library Club 4; Senior Play Committee 4; Trojan Staff; Quill and Scroll.

FRED BALDWIN Football 1; baseball 1.

GERALDINE BARTOLD G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Chorus 1, 2, 4; Operetta 1, 2, 4; Trojan Staff; Intramurals 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior Play; J-Hop Committee; Senior Play Committee; Sturgensian Sales Staff; Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; Commercial Club 3, 4; Library Club 2, 3.

DON BLANCHARD Football 3; Intramurals 4.

DOUGLAS BLASIUS  
 Intramurals 1, 2, 3, 4.

HARRY BLUE Intramurals 1, 2, 3; Football 1.

JOHN BOGART Football 1, 2, 3; Class Officer 1, 2, 3; Commercial Club 1, 2, 3; Operetta 4; Senior Play; J-Hop Committee; Junior Play; Committee; Intramurals 4; Chorus 4.

DORIS BOWEN Band 1, 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. 4; Senior Play Committee; Commercial Club 4; Intramurals 3, 4.

RICHARD BRISCOE Football 3, 4; Basketball 3, 4; Track 3; Senior Play Committee; J-Hop Committee; Intramurals 1, 2; Chorus 4; Varsity Club 4.

LOIS BUPP Intramurals 1, 2.

BARBARA CARTER G.A.A. 1; J-Hop Committee; Senior Play; Trojan Staff; Sturgensian Sales Staff; Commercial Club 4; Quill and Scroll.



# Seniors '48



SHIRLEY CASTLE Band 1; Science Club 2; G.A.A. 3, 4; Junior Play Committee; Senior Play Committee; Chorus 4; Intramurals 3, 4; J-Hop Committee; Chorus Club 4.

ORVILLE CROWELL

DOROTHY DARBY Intramurals 1, 2, 3, 4; Library Club 3; Junior Play Committee; Senior Play Committee; Trojan Staff; J-Hop Committee; G.A.A. 1.

BEVERLY DAUBER Operetta 1, 2, 3, 4; F.H.A. 2, 3, 4; J-Hop Committee; Senior Play Committee; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior Play Committee 3.

FRANK DAVID Basketball 1, 3; Football 1, 3; Baseball 1, 3; Intramurals 1, 2, 3, 4.

DON DAVIS Jefferson High School 1, 2, 3; Basketball 4; Baseball 4.

WILLIAM EBERHARD J-Hop Committee; Baseball 1.

HELEN EMERSON Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Chorus 4; Operetta 4; J-Hop Committee; Class Officer 1; Intramurals 2, 3, 4; Commercial Club 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; Trojan Staff; Choral Club 4; Choral Club Officer 4; Quill and Scroll.

IRMA FETCH Constantine High School 1; Commercial Club 3, 4; Chorus 2; Operetta 2; Senior Play Committee; Junior Play Committee; Intramurals 3.

FRANK HANAWAY Football 3, 4; Baseball 2; Varsity Club 4; Wrestling 2; Intramurals 3.

JOHN HANSELMAN Football 1, 3; Basketball 3, 4; Intramurals 1, 2.

MAX HARKER Football 3, 4; Intramurals 1U, 2, 3; F.F.A. 2, 3.





COLLEEN HOLSINGER  
RYNEARSON Operetta 1, 2; F.H.A.  
1, 2; Senior Play Committee; Chorus  
1, 2; Junior Play Committee.

JOYCE HOLTZ G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4;  
Commercial Club 4; J-Hop Com-  
mittee; Intramurals 1, 2, 3, 4.

JOYCE HOUCK G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4;  
Commercial Club 4; J-Hop Com-  
mittee; Intramurals 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior  
Play Committee; Operetta 1.

DAVID JORDAN Intramurals 1, 2,  
3, 4; Football 1; Junior Play Com-  
mittee; Art Club 4.

PAUL JORDAN Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4;  
Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Operetta 1, 3, 4;  
Football 1, 4; Intramurals 1, 2, 3, 4;  
Trojan Staff 4; Senior Play; J-Hop  
Committee; Junior Play Committee.

BONNIE KELLEY Chorus 1, 2;  
F.H.A. 2, 3, 4; Operetta 1, 2; Intra-  
murals 3; F.H.A. Officer 2, 3, 4.

PATRICIA KELLEY F.H.A. 1, 2, 3;  
G.A.A. 1, 2; Chorus 3, 4; Operetta 3.

NORMA KLINE G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4;  
Trojan Staff; Intramurals 1, 2, 3, 4;  
J-Hop Committee; Senior Play Com-  
mittee; Commercial Club 3; Library  
Club 1; Operetta 1.

ALICE KING G.A.A. 1, 2; Intra-  
murals 1, 2, 3, 4; Commercial Club  
4; Sturgensian Sales Staff.

NORMAN KRAFT Baseball 2, 3, 4;  
J-Hop Committee; Varsity Club 3, 4;  
Intramurals 2, 3, 4.

PATRICIA KRUEGER Band 1;  
Dramatic Club 3; Science Club 2;  
G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; J-Hop Committee;  
Commercial Club 3, 4; Intramurals  
1, 2, 3.

ROBERT LAHRKE F.F.A. 1, 2.



# Seniors '48



**JOAN LAWLER** Sturgensian Staff Editor; Trojan Staff; Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; J-Hop Committee; Library Club 1, 3; F.H.A. 3; Senior Play; Junior Play; Commercial Club 2, 3; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. Officer 4; Operetta 1, 4; Intramurals 1, 2, 3, 4; Chorus 1, 4; Choral Club 4; Class Officer 2; Honor Roll; Quill and Scroll; Quill and Scroll Officer.

**DELMAR LEWIS** Football 1, 2; Track 3.

**DONNA LEWIS** Chorus 3, 4; Commercial Club 3, 4; Intramurals 3; Operetta 3, 4; Honor Roll.

**WILLIAM LINDER** Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Intramurals 1, 2, 3; Sturgensian Staff; Varsity Club 4; J-Hop Committee; Wrestling 1, 3; Honor Roll; Quill and Scroll.

**DONALD LOETZ** Football 3, 4; Wrestling 1, 2; Intramurals 1, 4; Senior Play Committee.

**JEAN LONG** G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior Play Committee; Senior Play Committee; Commercial Club 4; Intramurals 2, 3, 4; Chorus 1; Operetta 1.

**PHYLLIS MAST** G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; Chorus 1, 2; Intramurals 2, 3; Junior Play Committee; J-Hop Committee; Dramatic Club 2; Commercial Club 4.

**EDWARD MELCHI** F.F.A. 1, 2; Intramurals 1, 2.

**TERRY MELCHI** Senior Play; Operetta 1, 2, 3, 4; J-Hop Committee; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Trojan Staff; Sturgensian Staff; Junior Play Committee; Dramatic Club 1, 2, 3; Chorus 3, 4; Quill and Scroll; Choral Club; Intramurals 1.

**RICHARD MEYERS** Senior Play Committee; Chorus 4; J-Hop Committee; Commercial Club 1; Commercial Club Officer 1; Junior Play Committee; Student Council 1; Class Officer 1, 2; Intramurals 1, 2.

**KENNETH MILLER** Grand Ledge High School 1, 2, 3.

**WAVA MURRAY** G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Commercial Club 3, 4; Intramurals 2; J-Hop Committee.





VIOLA NEWMAN Intramurals 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior Play Committee.

LAMOINE NOTESTINE Springfield High School 1; Junior Play Committee; Senior Play Committee; Intramurals 2, 3, 4; J-Hop Committee.

THAYMA OSTRANDER J-Hop Committee; Junior Play Committee; Senior Play Committee; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Intramurals 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4.

IRENE PAPPAS G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Chorus 1; Operetta 1.

NORMAN PERRIN F.F.A. 1, 2.

DALE PICKER Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2; Baseball 2, 3, 4; Intramurals 1, 2, 3; Commercial Club 2, 3.

ROY PRESTIDGE Basketball 2; Chorus 3; Junior Play Committee; Intramural 1; Operetta 3; J-Hop Committee.

RONNIE PRICE Intramurals 1, 4; J-Hop Committee; Junior Play Committee; Senior Play; Baseball 1, 3, 4.

PHILLIP PUGH Football 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Intramurals 1, 2; Chorus 4; Operetta 4; J-Hop Committee; Varsity Club 4; Honor Roll.

PAUL REED Intramurals 2; Junior Play.

WARREN RENNER Basketball 1, 2, 3; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Varsity Club 3, 4; Junior Play; Intramurals.

RONDO SELSER Burr Oak High 1; Football 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Track 3, 4; Class Officer 3; J-Hop Committee; Varsity Club 3, 4; Senior Play; F.F.A. 2; Junior Play Committee.



# Seniors '48



*Best of luck to  
a swell guy. See you around.*

ROBERT SHIMMEL Junior Play;  
Senior Play; J-Hop Committee; In-  
tramurals 1, 2; Sturgensian Staff;  
Class Officer 1, 2, 3; Dramatic Club  
2, 3; Honor Roll; Quill and Scroll.

GEORGE SHIMP Football 1, 2, 3, 4;  
Basketball Manager 3; F.F.A. 1, 2;  
Senior Play; Varsity Club 4; J-Hop  
Committee.

WILLIAM SPRISTER Football 1, 3,  
4; Intramurals 1, 2, 3, 4.

WILLIAM STAPLETON Ann Arbor  
1; Football 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3,  
4; Track 3; Chorus 4; Class Officer  
3; Senior Play 4; J-Hop Committee;  
Trojan Staff; Varsity Club 3, 4;  
Operetta 4; Honor Roll; Quill and  
Scroll.

FRANCIS SUMMEY

ROBERT SUMMEY Intramurals 1,  
2, 4; Baseball 2; Wrestling 1, 2;  
Football 3; Junior Play; Senior  
Play; Chorus 4; Operetta 4.

YVONNE VANDERLIP Battle Creek  
Central High 1, 2; G.A.A. 2, 3, 4;  
Commercial Club 3.

JAMES WALLACE Bogalusa, La.  
1, 2, 3.

BARBARA WERKHAVEN Intra-  
murals 1, 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. 2, 3, 4;  
G.A.A. Officer 4; Chorus 3, 4;  
Operetta 3, 4; J-Hop Committee;  
Junior Play; Senior Play; Trojan  
Staff; Sturgensian Staff; Choral  
Club 3, 4; Choral Club Officer 3, 4;  
Honor Roll; Quill and Scroll.

LLOYD WEST Football 1, 2, 3, 4;  
Wrestling 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 1;  
Intramurals 1, 2, 3; J-Hop Commit-  
tee; Varsity Club 4.

WILLA WEST G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; Sen-  
ior Play Committee; Intramurals  
1, 2, 3, 4; Trojan Staff.

JOANN ZIGLEAR G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4;  
Junior Play; Senior Play; J-Hop  
Committee; Dramatic Club 2, 3;  
Chorus 3, 4; Operetta 3, 4; Intra-  
murals 2, 3; Trojan Staff; Chorus  
Club 3, 4.







STANLEY ZIMMERMAN LaPorte

High School 1, 2; Band 3, 4; J-Hop Committee; Intramurals 1, 2, 3; Junior Play Committee; Senior Play Committee; Operetta 3, 4; Sturgesian Sales Staff.

## HONOR ROLL

The class of 1948 leaves S.H.S. this June destined never to return, but in its wake will be left the record of its four years here. A place on the honor roll is eagerly sought for and brings its rich reward to those who attain the coveted goal.

Pictured below are the ten highest ranking students of this year's class. They are: Joan Sherry, Valedictorian; Connie Danneberg, Salutatorian; Barbara Werkhaven, Historian; Donna Lewis, fourth; Bill Stapleton, fifth; Bill Linder, sixth; Tom Walters, seventh; Joan Lawler, eighth; Robert Shimmel, ninth; Phil Pugh, tenth.



Row I —C. Danneberg, J. Lawler, J. Sherry, D. Lewis, B. Werkhaven

Row II—B. Stapleton, P. Pugh, R. Shimmel, B. Linder, T. Walters



# Juniors

## JUNIOR CLASS HISTORY

Pres.....B. Persing

V. Pres.....R. Dresser

Sec'y.....A. Freeland

Treas.....J. Lint

Student Council.....B. King

Student Council...B. Freeman

Action is the motto of this class of 1949, sponsored by Mrs. Seitz, Mr. Maner, Miss Pettyjohn, and Mrs. Brouse. Not another class in school is as well represented in the various organizations, and in the field of sports as these "49'ers". There are more than twenty-five boys on various athletic teams, more than 30 represented in the band, 7 leads in the operetta were filled by juniors and their chorus representation is exceedingly strong.

In spite of a few upsets they have finally succeeded in filling their treasury through the sale of candy and "eats" at games, and they are eagerly planning a really big J-Hop with Charles Rogers' Orchestra as the leading attraction. They have chosen "You Can't Take It With You", by Moss Hart and George S. Kaufman, for their class play.

Last but not least, the 110 members of this class rank high scholastically, and we predict big things in the future for this up and coming group.

Row 1—Russell Abel; Marilyn Allen; Eleanor Awe;

Row 2—Jerry Bachman; Glen Baldwin; Molly Bassett; LaDonna Baylor; Marilyn Bell.

Row 3—Doris Benedict; Patricia Blossom; Keith Borgert; George Boughton; Thelma Brouse.

Row 4—Robert Brown; Phyllis Carter; Mary Chupp; JoAnn Crago; Dick Deter.

Row 5—Shirley Dickerson; William Dobberten; Ray Dresser; Carl Eaton; Lois Fair.

Best of Luck  
Remember good  
old geometry  
July  
Boards  
Russell  
Abel 5/31/48

Best  
Jude to a  
sweet kid and  
free of the dumb  
more careful  
of the dumb  
Brouse





Row 1—Carl Falkenstein; Larry Faust; Paul Fennell; Richard Flint; Alan Freeland.



Row 2—Robert Freeman; Mary Lee Funk; Marlene Gasper; Shirley Gauss; Ilene Gilkison.



Row 3—Grace Griffis; Ardetta Hart; Edward Hilgendorf; Linda Holliday; Doris Hollister.



Row 4—James Holt; Helen Holtz; Kenneth Huftile; Mary Dana Huntley; Henry Jordan.



Row 5—Norma Kanouse; Janet Kasdorf; Dorothy Keeslar; Laura Kennedy; Beryl King.



Row 6—George King; Wm. Kinsey; Robert Duenzel; Donald Kuntze; Jim Lamborne.



Row 7—Arden Lancaster; Bonnie Lanning; Jean Lawrence; Doreen Lewis; Jacque Lint.



Row 8—Norma Lou Loetz; Martin Lutz; Gloria Mc Carthy; Evelyn Mc Laughlin; Wayne Mc Laughlin.



*Handwritten notes:*  
 "Doris is one of my best buddies"  
 "I hope you have had lots of fun this year in physics!"  
 "M.D. name! I want to see you again!"  
 "I'll write more later!"  
 "See you!"

*Handwritten notes:*  
 "Best of luck"  
 "Was your doing O.K. with the class?"  
 "Wayne"



# Juniors



Row 1—Alice Miller; Ann Miller; Florence Mishler; Harlan Moore; Douglas Mowry.

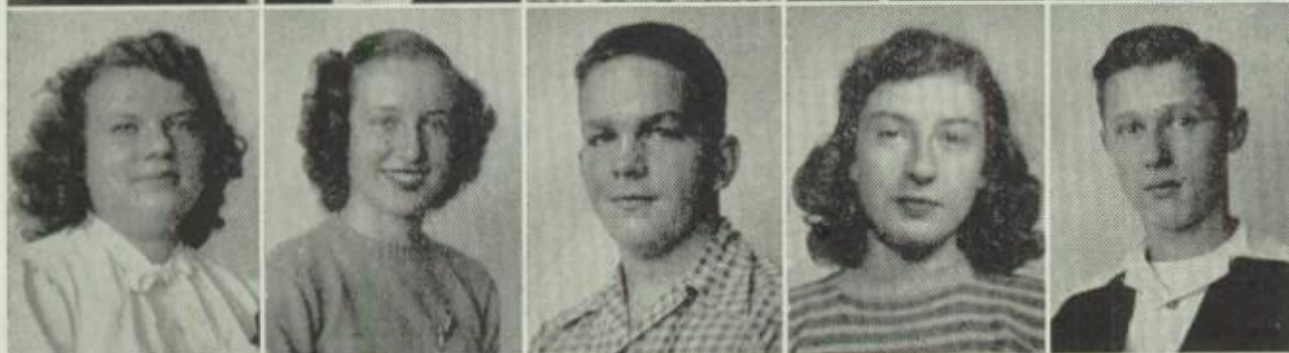


Row 2—Mark Moyer; Virginia Murray; Joanne Nickell; Richard Oman; Marjorie Pagels.



Row 3—Beverly Pannell; Max Parker; Jerry Peeke; Benny Persing; Carleton Pursley.

*Best of luck to a swell guy. Paul*



Row 4—Kathaleen Quirin; Rachel Rerick; Paul Scheetz; Irene Shoemaker; Marion Smoker.



Row 5—Jean Stinchcomb; Phyllis Stratton; Barbara Teadt; Wanda Teadt; Wilma Teadt.

*lots of love to my chinks Dick Tennent*



Row 6—Barbara Trim; Dick Tennent; Bill Ulmer; Dick Wallick; Beth Walke.

*Dear Barbara, Best of luck to a swell guy and you play the game in Betty June*



Row 7—Gloria Wetters; Bette Whipple; Mary Ann Wood; Betty Wright; Arlene Young.



Row 8—Elaine Yunker; Vivian Yunker; Bill Yunker; Fred Zeeb; Leda Ziglear.



# Sophomores

## SOPHOMORE CLASS HISTORY

President.....W. McPherson

Vice-President.....J. Bogart

Secretary.....D. Finch

Treasurer.....R. Kaufmann

Student Union....L. Danneberg

Student Union.....J. Linder

This progressive class with sponsors Garrett Veld, Florence Huizenga, Ruth Watson, and John Borgerding has accomplished many things this year.

Because of a lack of money in their treasury this class had to think of some method by which to earn money. They started by having a check-room for coats at the basketball games, and also sponsored a post-game dance at the Youth Center. Much campaigning was done for this dance and it proved a huge success financially and socially.

To conclude the schedule of activities they are having a "Hobo Hop" on April 24. With the spirit that this class displays we already feel that this party will go down in history as the best ever put on by any Sophomore class. Their goal is 100 dollars in their treasury by the end of the year. Good luck, Sophs. We know you can do it.

### Class Officers—

Back Row—Lois Danneberg, Joseph Linder, Ruth Kauffman

Front Row—Jim Bogart, David Finch, Wm. MacPherson

Row 1—Barbara Abbs, Fred Ailes, Carole Anderson, Buddy Andrews, Paul Baker

Row 2—Jane Bandholtz, Ilene Bassett, Jim Bogart, Janice Bothamely, Kenneth Boughton.

Row 3—Robert Brand, Donna Britton, Richard Brubaker, John Cary, Evelyn Castle.

Row 4—Robert Collins, Betty Colpetsir, Georgia Conrod, Wesley Cromie, Lois Danneberg.

Row 5—Leland Eberhard, Fern Falkenstein, David Finch, Philip Fox, Robert Frame.





# Sophomores



Row 1—Jack Frohriep, Archie Gibson, Frank Gilhams, Delora Godden, Carl Harker.



Row 2—Ted Hart, Mary Heaton, Bill Holtz, Richard Hyde, Lois John.



Row 3—Robert Jones, Richard Jordan, Ruth Kauffman, Jocelyn Kemble, Eleanor Kennedy.



Row 4—Norma Keeslar, Frank Kime, Howard King, Marlene Kisseberth, Nancy Kruger.



Row 5—Donald Kuenzel, David Large, Neil Large, Louis Lawrence, Charlyn Lego.



Row 6—Eileen Lewis, Elaine Lewis, Joseph Linder, Jack Long, Don Lytle.



Row 7—Robert Lytle, Wm. MacPherson, Don Magnus, Delores Mann, Clair McLauchlin.



Row 8—Sara McLauchlin, Charlett Merchant, Suzanne Messner, Don Mieras, June Moon.



# Sophomores

Row 1—John Niggli; Nancy Niles; Jim Oman; Eileen Oppenheimer; Beulah Park.



Row 2—Geraldine Parks; Wendell Persing; Marilyn Pickels; Marion Pierson; Marvin Post.



Row 3—Barbara Powers; Grace Prestidge; Ronald Robbins; Dan Roberts; Helen Sanderson.



Row 4—John Schragg; Lois Sherry; Lois Shook; Dean Sidener; Donna Sigrist.



Row 5—Thurman Slack; Wayne Snook; Ella Mae Stage; Marilyn Storms; Richard Strong.



Row 6—Florence Studeman; Bob Stump; John Sturgis; Bob Sturgis; Joyce Stutz.



Row 7—DeForest Sutton; Joel Tibbott; Ardis Van Poppel; Patricia Wallick; Velma Ward.



Row 8—Charles Warner; Dick Wenzel; Robert West; Barbara Wright; Paul Zeeb.





# Freshman



Finally, after two years of patiently waiting to become a "Freshie" of Sturgis High, this class had their chance to add to or detract from, as the case may be, the progress of our school. Under the sponsorship of Mr. Raymond Smith, Miss Frances Aungst, and Mr. Phineas Wheat, they courageously started on their high school program.

As a class they have not been active socially but in the various extra curricular activities they have already found their places.

The sports department of our school has been greatly benefited from their membership and the additions they have made to both the band and chorus has been materially felt. This class has an enrollment of 125 and we hope they may all be back with us next year.

Upper right—Violet Allabach, James Andrews,

Row 1—Jack Bargo, Everett Barnell, Jack Barnell, Jo-Ann Benham, Janet Berg.

Row 2—John Bertva, Joan Bivens, Joe Blasius, John Boggs, Douglas Borgert.

Row 3—Phyllis Borgert, Duvette Britton, Arlene Buff, Iola Busz, Harold Carey.

Row 4—Clayton Colpetsir, Loretta Crabbs, Deloris Crowell, Geraldine Cummins, Violet Dauber.

Row 5—Jerry Davis, Daisy Du Vall, Joe Embler, Patricia Foster, Larry Franks.





Row 1—Robert Frays, Sharon Freeland, Edward Gauss, Wm. Gayde, David Gosling.

*Best of luck to a swell guy, Sharon*



Row 2—Laurel Hageman, Cora Hahn, Patricia Hanaway, Faye Harker, George Hart.



Row 3—Norman Holton, John Hulse, Tom Jackson, Tom Jeffery, Howard Kasdorf.



Row 4—Mary Jane Kelley, Barbara Kerr, Joan King, Judy Kirsch, Bob Klesert.

*Best of luck Joan K*



Row 5—Larry Kline, Eugene Knapp, Jeanette Krontz, Kenneth Krontz, Shirley Kunce.



Row 6—Paul Lanning, Bonnie Lewis, Dean Lewis, Shirley Linkhauer, Floyd Loudenslager.

*Best of Luck to a swell guy & his lady*



Row 7—Charles Lytle, Cletta Maddock, Jerry Marbaugh, Rodney Mayer, Douglas McBride.



Row 8—Dan McCarthy, Joan McKenzie, Max Melchi, David Miller, Jack Miller.





# Freshman



Row 1—Stanley Miller, Norma Morrison, Lora Mowry, Arlene Murray, Kathleen Nadolny.



Row 2—Meryl Nelson, Julia Nolan, Edna Perkins, Ann Petter, Rayma Pierson.



Row 3—Frances Provancha, Cornelius Quinn, Betty Quirin, Jerry Quirin, Lonnie Randall.



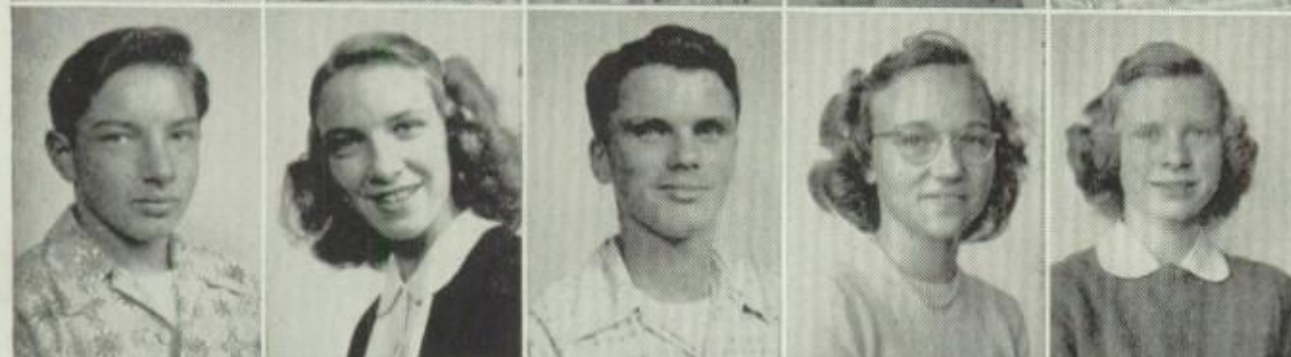
Row 4—Betty Reed, James Rice, Harold Ritter, Ann Rose, Max Sheetz.



Row 5—Rosemary Schrader, Sara Seger, Mary Jane Shields, Clarence Spaulding, Jean Ann Storms.



Row 6—Evelyn Studeman, Lois Stump, Alice Sturgis, Phyllis Unterkircher, Don Urick.



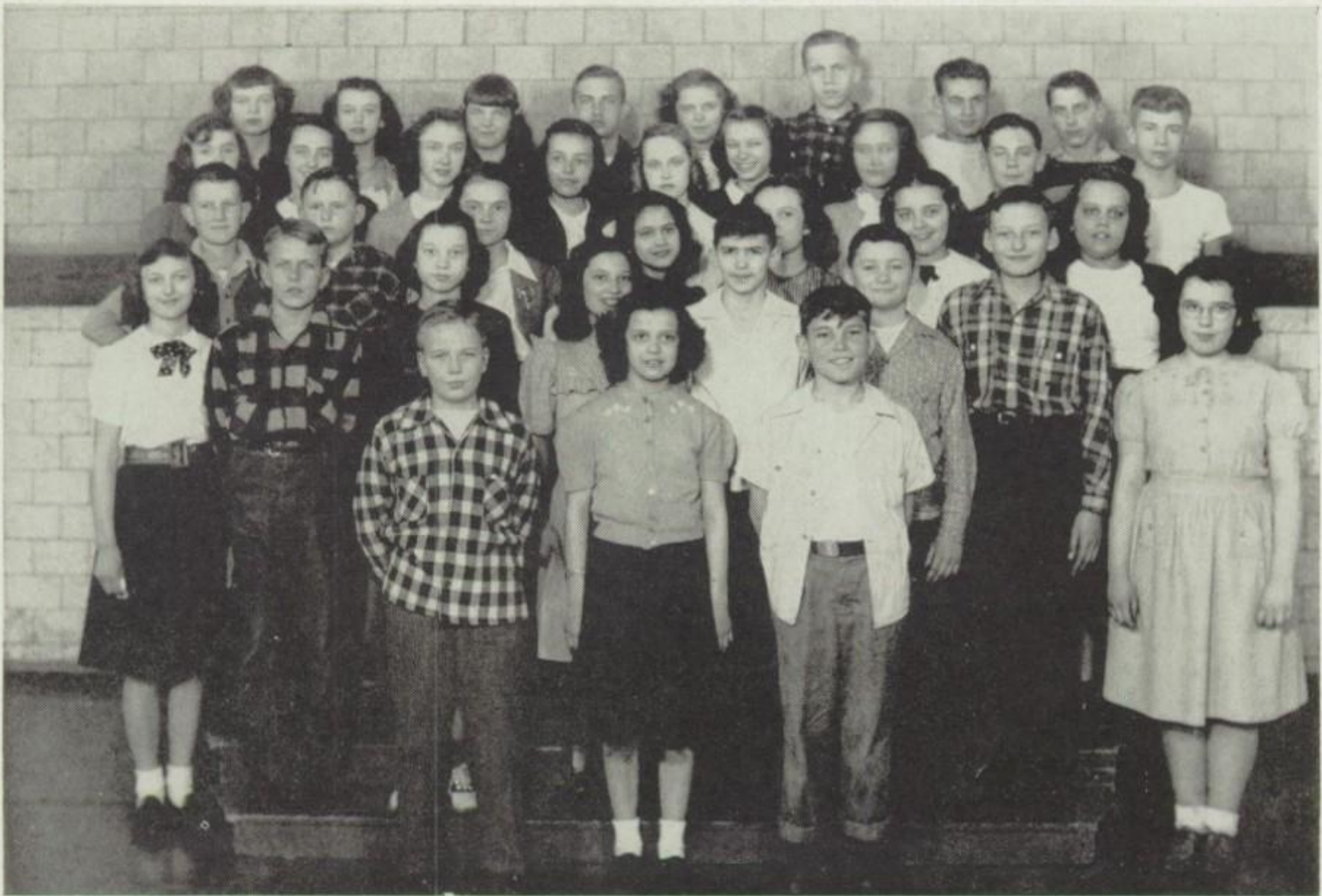
Row 7—Tom Walters, Patricia Ware, Kenneth Wegner, Willene Whittenberger, Doris Willoughby.



Row 8—David Wilson, Martha Winslow, Marilyn Wise, Eddie Wisler, Lene Yoder.



# Eighth Grade



Front row—K. Burdno, M. Hoenecke, J. Miller.  
 Second row—M. Hovarter, R. Hankins, C. Besser, D. Miller, L. Pavlov, S. Hageman, W. Kelley, J. West.  
 Third row—J. Hershey, D. Jones, W. Wolcott, E. Lawniczak, J. Hostetler, D. Miller, B. Stutz.  
 Fourth row—P. Gardner, M. Lewis, M. Clevering, B. Carls, D. Lewis, I. Cromie, C. Sunday, K. Chapman, B. Brubaker.  
 Fifth row—N. Palmer, J. Gilhams, R. Bogart, C. Adams, S. Kanouse, C. Hoyt, R. Reader, R. Wegner.

This year's eighth grade is one that will really bear watching. They are "up and doing" things in a bigger way than old SHS has seen in a long time. They got acquainted with each other with the big Christmas party they staged in the gym and it wasn't just the "kids" that enjoyed themselves at this party. Miss Whitelock, Mrs. Brokaw, and Mr. Finlay really make a grand trio of sponsors.

Another project these energetic studs sponsored was the shoe drive for the people of Bremen, Germany. This was the result of the correspondence between the eighth graders and the children of Bremen.

From a glimpse of both the light-hearted and serious side of this class we think SHS will be in good hands for a good many years to come.



## EIGHTH GRADE CLASS OFFICERS

President.....Clara Wall  
 Vice-president.....James McLauchlin  
 Secretary.....Jayne Hostetler  
 Treasurer.....Dottie Lewis  
 Student Union.....George Hunter  
                                     Leonard Smoker  
 Absent from picture.....Clara Wall





# Eighth Grade



Front Row: P. Kline, R. Kolady, P. Thor, J. Wilson, S. Pierson.

Second Row: A. Babcock, G. Rose, J. Coohon, M. Nelson, T. Carter

Third Row: J. Winklemeyer, S. Mustone, B. Wallick, N. Bupp, J. Bassett, D. Sutton, F. Miller

Fourth Row: S. Holtz, M. Bunn, A. Babcock, J. McPherson, S. Russell, M. Adams, H. Harmon, C. Holtz

Fifth Row: K. Schaffer, M. Owen, J. Holsinger, D. Olmstead, B. Gaddis, W. Tupper, W. Sargent

Row 1—D. Keeslar, F. Kunce

Row 2—H. Eaton, R. Engle, R. Kime, G. Snook, B. Probst, L. Sites, H. Pickels, R. Baker

Row 3—B. Huss, J. Maystead, V. Harter, G. Falkenstein, N. Plucinski, M. Schroeder, D. Rice, E. Miller

Row 4—L. Holtz, A. Houck, R. Gordon, G. Hunter, L. Smoker, N. Shauver, M. Bramley, D. Hart, B. Large

Row 5—J. Abbs, S. Krontz, J. Parker, D. Mick, J. Pierson, M. Wolcott, J. McLaughlin, R. Maddock





# Seventh Grade

The seventh grader is often looked upon as one of our lesser known quantities in high school, but that cannot be said of this class of 1953. This group of "rarin' and ready to go" seventh graders have already made their presence felt.

They are helping out on our athletic record by starting to train the future champs of S.H.S. The Junior High basketball team which featured many seventh graders won all their games.

Twenty five from the class are taking Jr. Band and Chorus which will mean an even better band and chorus for Sturgis in the future.

All those Safety Posters which you saw in the hall represent the work of a certain group of "live wires" in this class.

Keep up the good work, boys and girls, and we'll be looking for you on the goal line with your banners waving in 1953.



## SEVENTH GRADE CLASS OFFICERS

President—Marilyn Reed  
 Vice-President—Jane Gallup  
 Secretary—Joyce Jeisel  
 Treasurer—Sharon Portman  
 Student Union—Martha Perry  
 Carl Rehm, absent from picture

## SEVENTH GRADE

Row 1—R. Reichard, J. Meyers, R. Wenzel, A. Cordill  
 Row 2—S. Loetz, P. Fennell, B. Schmidt, J. Dolamore, J. Harrar, E. Wheeler, R. Reid  
 Row 3—B. Bandholtz, I. Groff, S. Kipker, M. Marbaugh, J. Clark, E. Rerick, W. Knight, G. Summey  
 Row 4—M. Robinson, A. Hawkins, K. Wright, W. Zollman, W. Jones, L. Krontz, M. Perry, A. Sansone  
 Row 5—J. Sturgis, W. Grim, D. Green, W. Long, S. Whipple, C. Wallman, N. Shipper





# Seventh Grade



SEVENTH GRADE

Row 1—N. Bronstetter, B. Adams, C. Bintz, B. Embler, C. Brown

Row 2—D. Gordon, J. McKenzie, D. Walters, E. Hoenecke, D. Stump, L. Beers, B. Hudson, L. Harker, A. Siddall

Row 3—C. Hoyt, P. Giffin, L. Mayer, W. Rayner, N. O'Rourke, B. Large, M. Kline, K. Kecklenburg, N. Blatter

Row 4—T. Blair, D. Molter, N. Myers, D. Noel, M. Hoyt, B. Yunker, J. Myers, J. Bedford

Row 5—E. Jourdan, A. Bupp, T. Moore, F. Holtz, S. Hubner, M. DeWitt, J. Gallup, P. Cameron

SEVENTH GRADE

Row 1—R. Mead, J. Lego, J. Smith, W. Murray

Row 2—W. Wheeler, A. Gibson, R. Besser, S. Gibson, H. Froriep, F. Hagadorn, T. Bradley, R. Hanselman

Row 3—B. Schrader, J. Reeg, C. Persing, O. Perkins, A. Bell, J. Ginther, L. Hart

Row 4—R. Lovelace, D. Sowers, W. Teal, M. Reed, E. Blanchard, G. Gilbert, R. Davidson, L. Sutton, A. Miller, E. Teadt

Row 5—J. Cromie, L. Provancha, R. Pierson, M. Myers, J. Jeisel, D. Lunger, M. Caywood, A. Mow, J. Winger





# A Day at School



## TOP ROW—

- 1—"Waiting for the bell to ring and the doors to open".
- 2—"Could this be pay day for the teachers?"
- 3—Mr. Winger "pinch hits" for Mr. Perry and writes excuses.

## 2nd ROW—

- 1—Mr. Peck speaking. "What a fetching hair you have in

your hair, Miss Whitelock".

- 2—Mrs. Haack takes in the announcements.
- 3—An ever familiar scene at the fountain.

## 3rd ROW

- 1—Mrs. Freeland posts the daily bulletin.
- 2—"Congratulations, Constable Maner".
- 3—"Can she take a chance in Bill, B.?"



# Valedictory

We seniors have now reached our goal, graduation from high school. This is the year which marks the end of our schooling for many of us. We will begin to participate in the cares of adult community life.

There is a chest of treasures that we have picked up along the way, and in the future, care and trouble may cross our paths, but there will always be the pleasant memories of the past to ease the worries of life.

As we look through the treasures that we have laid away, but not forgotten, we relive our days in high school with a sad feeling that all this must be left behind. We must move ever forward, progressing along life's path to the best of our ability.

We will remember wistfully the social whirl, the extra-curricular activities, and even the hardest of our regular classes.

We look back fondly on our "J-Hop" with its "Old Mill Stream" setting; the Sweetheart Swing, an event of every year; the post-game dances in the gym and Youth Center; the numerous parties, and the grand

finale of our Senior Trip on the Great Lakes.

Memories of our club work linger in our hearts and minds. The Drama Club where we had a taste of acting; the many enjoyable band activities; the operettas which the chorus presented; the G.A.A. with its Penny Carnival; the Varsity Club—all of these and many others have helped to broaden our outlook on life and have cemented lasting friendships and those which will grow dearer as the years slip away.

The difficult classes also have their places in our treasure chest. Who will forget government and economics, English literature, chemistry or advanced English composition? Hard work was coupled with real enjoyment in the completion of these courses.

A glimpse back over all these events well makes us realize that a student's high school days are the happiest. We regretfully say farewell to them as we go on our way, each with his treasure chest heaped high with memories of precious moments, events, and experiences. Goodbye, old S. H. S. and greetings—world!

—Joan Sherry

## Class History

As we, the Seniors of 1948 reach into our golden treasure chest of memories, we are reminded of our first few days of High School. We were only 110 bewildered Freshmen, to be sure, but we were willing to learn and we eagerly awaited the adventures that each new day held.

The going was a little hard for us in some places, but with such able leaders as John Bogart, President; Dick Meyers, Vice-President; Helen Emerson, Secretary; Robert Shimmel, Treasurer; and Ellen Tompkins and Kenneth Zabel, Student Union Representatives, we finally ended our Freshman year with flying colors.

Our Sophomore year was a whirlwind of activities. We tried to have a Sophomore Prom at Christmas time, but old "Mr. Flu" forced us to call the whole thing off.

The big moment of the year came when we were allowed to buy our class rings a whole year early. We were very proud of ourselves, for now we had really joined ranks with the upper classmen.

To lead our 109 Sophomores, we chose John Bogart, President; Ellen Tompkins, Vice-President; Bob Shimmel, Secretary; Joan Lawler, Treasurer; and Kenneth Zabel and Tom Walters as Student Union Representatives.

By our Junior year, we had reduced ourselves to 83 but each and every one of us pitched in to help make this year a wonderful success. We sold hot-dogs, pop, and coffee at the foot-ball games; schedule pencils, and candy for the basket-ball games, to add money to our treasury. We entertained the Seniors at one of the most beautiful J-Hops ever given in S.H.S. Our theme was an "Old Mill Stream" with a lovely flower garden setting and bright stars overhead.

Under Mr. William Smith's guiding hand, we presented that hilarious comedy, "Accidents Will Happen" as our Junior Play.

Class elections in our Junior year developed into a heated and much discussed campaign. The boys elected themselves to office, completely excluding the girls. Those elected were: Rondo "Salty" Selser, President; Bill Stapleton, Vice-President; John Bogart, Secretary; Robert Shimmel, Treasurer; and Tom Walters and Jim Ford, Student Union Representatives.

We closed our Junior year in high spirits and we looked forward with eagerness when the highest of all honors, being Seniors, would be bestowed upon us.

We entered our Senior year with 86 members, and each and everyone assumed that certain "air" which Seniors have. We had finally reached the top and we felt quite superior to the under classmen. Little did we realize that soon this would all be over and it would be necessary for us to embark into a new phase of our lives.

For our Senior leaders, we chose, Joan Sherry, President; Tom Walters, Vice-President; Connie Norris, Secretary; Connie Danneberg, Treasurer; and Ellen Tompkins and Jim Ford, Student Union Representatives.

Our Senior Play was something new and different in High School plays. With the helpful direction of Miss Florence Huizenga, we gave "On The Night Of January 16", a murder trial with a real jury chosen from the audience. The play was a huge success and will be remembered for a long time to come.

We started early in the year to make plans for our Senior boat trip through the Great Lakes and Mackinac Island. The trip is now but a pleasant memory  
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## Class History (Con'd)

for all of us who went, even those who became a little sea sick.

A Senior's life is a busy one. There always seemed to be something to do, either working on the Sturgesian Staff, Trojan Staff, or on some committee to say nothing of keeping up in ones work from day to day.

And now in closing, we wish to thank all those

leaders who have helped to keep us from stumbling along the rocky path. Another class is on its way to face the future and what it holds for them. Some of us will be far away from the close friends we have made but we will never forget them.

We are a graduating class of 77 forward looking Seniors and we leave with some very happy memories of the days spent in S. H. S.

—Barbara Werkhaven

# TREASURE CHEST FOUND

## Sturgis Daily Journal

STURGIS, MICHIGAN, JULY 8, 1960

The finding of a treasure chest on Pokomoko Island has proved to be an important and interesting discovery to Mr. Terry Melchi, wealthy pineapple plantation owner on Pokomoko. He unearthed the chest on the site of newly plotted acreage, and its contents, copies of the Sturgis Journal in the year 1958, have proved invaluable to him in bringing back memories of his old home town, Sturgis, Michigan, which he had not seen in 20 years. Extracts of interest are herein quoted.

### KLINGER LAKE COUNTRY CLUB BANQUET

The Klinger Lake Country Club annual banquet, held last evening at the club house, featured as toast master, DON DAVIS. He presented PROFESSOR BOGART, who spoke on "Conditions on Mars". Music for dancing was furnished by AVERY'S DREAM BAND, featuring DORIS BOWEN and HELEN EMERSON as guest soloists.

### NEW PING PONG "CHAMP"

Last night NORMAN KRAFT, a graduate of Sturgis High School, defeated CAL MILLER of Goshen for ping pong honors.

### BLUE and BLASIUS vs DAVID

HARRY BLUE and DOUG BLASIUS, co-owners of the Blue and Blasius Coal Company, are suing the FRANK DAVID Chemical Company for discovering fuels as substitutes for coal.

### IN GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

Miss JOYCE HOUCK, product of Sturgis High Schools, secretarial course, has just been appointed secretary to the governor of Michigan.

### CITY BACHELOR CLUB ELECTS

At last night's banquet and election of officers, the City Bachelor Club chose RICHARD BRISCOE as president. He responded with the toast, "This is the only group of men in this city which dares to have a mind of its own and express its own ideas."

### SPACE SHIP COMPLETED

Mr. WILLIAM LINDER, the world's greatest aeronautical engineer, has announced the completion of his famous space ship, reported to be capable of reaching the moon, in a minimum time of two years.

### WEATHER

KENNETH MILLER, weather man of St. Joseph County, predicts for tomorrow: Rain and warmer, with probable snow and ice.

### HEROIC RESCUE

CHIEF DALE PICKER, of the local fire department, today lauded MISS PHYLLIS MAST, MISS IRENE PAPPAS, and MISS VIOLA NEWMAN for the daring rescue of MISS LAMOINE NOTESTINE from the tentacles of a huge octopus at the aquarium.

### OSCAR AWARD

Miss YVONNE VANDERLIP, formerly of Sturgis, Michigan, has just won the coveted "Oscar" for her outstanding work in the play, "IT PAYS TO BE IGNORANT."

### HAREM NEWS!

PHIL PUGH, lately of the Foreign Legion, has settled down with a cozy little harem in Southern Arabia.

### NEW YORK MODELS

IRMA FETCH, WILLA WEST, and PAT KELLEY, have secured positions as models in New York. Years of study of weight control, exercises and dieting led to their success.

### BOWLING TOURNAMENT

FRED BALDWIN, manager of BALDWIN'S BOWLING PARLOR, announces the District Tournaments will be held next month. GERALDINE BARTOLD is expected to compete for top honors in the singles.

### BOOK STOLEN

DOROTHY DARBY, local librarian, reports the loss of "Forever Amber" from the public library. Fifty cents reward for its return.

### NEW CHIEF OF POLICE

PAUL JORDAN, local policeman, has taken over his duties as Chief of Police of the local police force. His cousin, DAVE JORDAN, will take Paul's former position.

### FOOTBALL NEWS

JUNIOR MOW made two touchdowns in Friday's "mid-get" game. Mrs. MOW, the former PAT KRUEGER, says that four others from the same family, show signs of being good football material.

### ANOTHER "FORD" FACTORY

JIM FORD, familiar figure in S.H.S. in 1948, has bought the Acme Engineering Company in Detroit. It will be called the Ford Engineering Company. Jim wishes to state that "any resemblance to the name Henry Ford is purely coincidental."

### LOCALITIES GO WEST!

LLOYD WEST and ED MELCHI are operating a grocery store at "Lonely Crossroads" in Wyoming. They report huge profits.

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# Class Prophecy (Cont'd)

## TOMPKINS-WALTERS

ELLEN TOMPKINS married TOM WALTERS in an impressive ceremony last evening. The wedding climaxes ten years of "Will you? Won't you?"

## WRESTLING MATCH

BOB "GORILLA" SHIMMEL will defend his wrestling championship soon. His opponent will be "TINY" BOB SUMMEY.

## SHOOTING STAR

RONDO SELSER, who shot to stardom last year, gives another of his fine Russian ballet performances tomorrow night.

## LOCAL COUPLE MAKES GOOD

MR. and MRS. STAN ZIMMERMAN, nee BARBARA WERKHAVEN are successfully raising turkeys on a chicken farm in Idaho.

## BEST SELLER APPEARS

THAYMA OSTRANDER'S book, "How to Grow Tall", companion book to "How to Be Successful, though Short", is now grossing huge sales on newsstands.

## PAID ADVERTISEMENT

A lot for your money! Inquire of JOHN HANSELMAN and FRANK HANAWAY, Local real estate dealers.

## NEW SERVICE STATION OPENED

The last word in super-deluxe service stations made its appearance last week when three local boys, RONNIE PRICE, DELMAR LEWIS, and RICHARD MYERS opened the doors of their new all-white enameled airplane service station to the public.

## SERVICE OFFERED

Leave your babies here while you shop. Babies returned as good as new. TINY TOTS NURSERY—BEVERLY DAUBER, SHIRLEY CASTLE, and COLLEEN HOLSINGER RYNEARSON.

## NEWSY NOTES

MISS BONNIE KELLEY, costume designer for MGM, Hollywood, is spending a few days with her parents.

DON BLANCHARD and ORVILLE CROWELL left last night for Oregon to spend their second season with the Blizzard Patrol.

BARBARA CARTER, plucky elephant trainer for Ringling Bros. circus, was in the city today.

MISS JOYCE HOLTZ, popular young woman of the city, has moved to Three Rivers, the city of her choice from High School days.

## WANT ADS

Situation wanted. Experienced "Hello" girl desires position. Best of references. Does not chew gum. ALICE KING.

## WANTED

A life companion for eligible young bachelor with a fine farm. Object matrimony. Blondes only considered. GEORGE SHIMP, R #3, Sturgis

## PERSONAL

Come home to "Donnie Boy". All is forgiven. DON LOETZ.

BABY SITTER service free. Fine work guaranteed. MAX HARKER

## LOST and FOUND

My wallet containing fifty cents. Reward. BILL STAPLETON

## GIGGLING GUARANTEED

JOAN LAWLER Emporium for Gigglers. Success assured in 10 easy sidesplitting lessons.

## FOOD EXPERT

DONNA LEWIS, nationally known for her "Fifty Favorite Recipes for Fifty People" has been officially appointed to serve all meals for meetings of the Mintdale Grange for the coming year.

## SEWING and COOKING SCHOOL STARTED

Ladies: Can you sew a stitch without pricking your finger? Can you boil water without burning it? Attend the sewing and cooking school under the direction of CORINA AILES and LOIS BUPP. Classes begin at once.

## HOSPITAL NOTES

MR. PAUL REED is resting comfortably after the injury he received yesterday when a box of canned goods fell from a shelf in his grocery store, and struck his head.

## FOR SALE

A slightly used set of ten records, "How to Acquire a Magnetic Personality". NORMA KLINE

## ADVERTISEMENT

You, too, can raise bugless potatoes. Literature free. ROBERT LAHRKE. R #3, Sturgis

## STURGIS MAN AGAIN TAKES SWIMMING HONORS

MR. ROY PRESTIDGE, former graduate of Sturgis High School, defends his title as world's champion by swimming the English Channel alone six days in a row.

## NEW SALVATION ARMY COMMANDER ELECTED

MR. BILL EBERHARD, local boy, was chosen last evening to serve as commander of a newly established Salvation Army Post in Larange, Ind. Our best wishes go with Mr. and Mrs. Eberhard.

## FAMOUS EDITOR WINS PRIZE

CONNIE DANNEBERG, editor of "Ye Latest News" received first prize for her editorial work at the Editors' Conference held in New York City last week.

## TRY THE WALLACE WAVING AND DYEING LOTION

New scientific formula has been discovered. Over 500,000 satisfied users. Curls and dyes hair red in one operation. Write for trial bottle. Money cheerfully refunded if not satisfied. JAMES WALLACE, Sturgis, Mich.

## CAREER vs. HOUSEWIFE

MISS WAVA MURRAY has decided to become a housewife instead of a "Career Girl". Greetings, Mrs. Krock.

## STARS IN TELEVISION

One of the latest stars to appear in television is MISS JOANN ZIGLEAR.

## HUNTING LODGE OPENS!

BILL SPRISTER, local hunter, has opened his new hunting lodge near Grayling, Michigan.

## LOCAL GIRL AT METROPOLITAN

JOAN SHERRY, lyric soprano, makes her debut tonight at the Metropolitan Opera House, New York City.

## LOCAL JUDGE FINES SOCIALITE

NORMAN PERRIN, local judge, today fined MRS. STEVE BLACKMOND, nee CONNIE NORRIS, wife of the famous yachtman, for parking on a crosswalk.

## CHEWY CHUNKS

Come to the "CHEWY CHUNKS" bakery for fresh and appetizing baked goods. JEAN LONG, Prop.

## SANITARY STREETS

MR. WARREN RENNER, head of the local city commissioners, promises clean streets in spite of rain, hail, ice, snow, or pop corn bags.



# Class Will

We, the Senior Class of 1948, offer this, our last will and testament as we pass from this school out into the world.

All the privileges that have been ours during this brief but delightful period of our life, and the places we have occupied, we now leave to aspiring lower classmen. Bequests of individual members of the class are, as stated below.

I, Thayma Ostrander, do will and bequeath my job in John's and all my wordly possessions except Delmar Lewis to Beth Waltke.

I, Irene Pappas, do will and bequeath my laugh to Mary Chupp.

I, Dale Picker, do will and bequeath my ability to play the drums to Harlan Moore.

I, Ronald Price, do will and bequeath my ability to pick out true value in the newer style cars to Bob Freeman.

I, Phil Pugh, do will and bequeath my ability to dislike girls to any underclassman who can take it.

I, Paul Reed, do will and bequeath my ability to make and keep friends to Jim Jacobs.

I, Warren Renner, do will and bequeath my mechanical ability to any underclassman who is able to stand the strain.

I, Rondo Selser, do will and bequeath my ability to act like an ape to Jack Froheip.

I, Joan Sherry, do will and bequeath my ability to sing to Donna Sigrist.

I, Robert Shimmel, do will and bequeath my curly hair to Mark Moyer.

I, George Shimp, do will and bequeath my job in the cafeteria to Doug Mowry.

I, William Sprister, will and bequeath my ability to hunt deer (an animal) to my mechanic, Bill Ulmer.

I, William Stapleton, do will and bequeath my desk in G.S.R. to any junior in the same alphabetical order as I.

I, Yvonne Vanderlip, do will and bequeath my ability to miss so much school to Beulah Parks.

I, James Wallace, do will and bequeath my bright red hair to Mr. Peck.

We, Barbara Werkhaven and Stanley Zimmerman, do will and bequeath our ability to stick to one person to Mary Lee Funk.

We, Norma Kline and Lloyd West, do will and bequeath our ability to get along with Mr. Miller in G.S.R. to any boy or girl who is willing to undertake the task.

I, Willa West, do will and bequeath my artistic ability to Alice Miller.

I, JoAnn Ziglear, do will and bequeath my ability to be an accomplished (?) bubble dancer to Charlotte Merchant.

I, Phyllis Mast, will my bookkeeping ability to Delores Mann.

I, Ed Melchi, will my nineteen ounce pen at the office to Dale Bennett.

I, Terry Melchi, will my love for the hospital and the medical profession to Marilyn Wise.

I, Richard Meyers, will my taxi service to John Niggli.

I, Kenneth Miller, will my ability to raise my hand in Peck's class and get a point to Gloria Wetters.

I, Wava Murray, will my ability to hold on to one man to Gloria McCarthy.

I, Viola Neuman, will my ability to skate to Leda Ziglear.

I, Connie Norris, will my swing to Betty Whipple.

I, LaMoine Notestine, will my ability to play basketball to Laura Kennedy.

We, Beverly Dauber and Colleen Ryneanson, will our love for Indiana to the Teadt Twins.

We, Joyce Holtz and Joyce Houck, will our love of Three Rivers to any lucky girls who can get a man from there.

I, Paul Jordan, will my ability to play a tenor saxophone to Jim Lamborne.

We, Fred Baldwin and Dave Jordan, will our art ability to Henry Jordan.

I, Bonnie Kelley, will my love of clothes to my sister, Mary.

I, Patricia Kelley, will my ability to dance to anybody that can stand it.

I, Alice King, will my love for basketball to Janice Burg.

I, Norma Kline, will my love of night life and guys named Bill to Bobbie Trim.

I, Norman Kraft, will my ability to play a good game of baseball to Randy Freeland.

I, Pat Krueger, do will and bequeath my height to Phyllis Carter.



## Class Will (Cont'd)

I, Robert Lahrke, will my farming ability to Carl Falkenstein.

I, Joan Lawler, will my vim and vigor to LaDonna Baylor.

I, Delmar Lewis, will my ability to stay in high school five years to anybody who likes it that well.

I, Donna Lewis, will my ability to get to school early to Jody Crago.

I, William Linder, will my art ability to Max Melchi.

I, Donald Loetz, will my ability to draw cartoons in session room to anybody who doesn't want to study.

To my brother, Jack, I, Jean Long, will my strolls to and from school with Mr. Peck.

To any desiring Junior, I, Corina Ailes, will my demureness.

I, June Avery, will my quietness to Peggy Allen.

I, Fred Baldwin, will my ability to answer questions in Peck's class to any junior who doesn't want to stay two years in his class.

I, Geraldine Bartold, will my shyness around boys to Betty Whipple.

To Al Freeland, I, Don Blanchard, will my sleeping ability in Peck's class.

I, Douglas Blasius, will my love-making ability to Fred Zeeb.

I, Harry Blue, will my love of hunting and fishing to Bill Dobberteen.

I, John Bogart, will my ability to rise and shine early in the morning to all the junior farmers.

I, Doris Bowen, will my love for the band to Phyllis Stratton.

I, Dick Briscoe, will my love of girls to Ray Dresser.

I, Lois Bupp, will my height to Norma Lou Loetz.

To Mary Heaton, I, Barbara Carter, will my size.

I, Shirley Castle, will my "come hither" smile to quiet, retiring Bill Kinsey.

To Johnny Niggli, I, Orville Crowell, will my love of driving slowly.

I, Constance Danneberg, will my ability to get along with the teachers to any junior who wants to get good grades.

I, Dorothy Darby, will my ability to stay in a car while turning the corner to any junior girl who is trying to get away from a man.

I, Beverly Dauber, will my love of Indiana men to the Teadt twins.

To Ted Hart, I, Frank David, will my technique with the girls.

I, Don Davis, will my pool ability to Jim Lamborne.

I, Bill Eberhard, will my ability to get along with Willa West in Economics class to any junior that is crazy enough to want to.

To Lois Sherry, I, Helen Emerson, will my ability to go out and make the best of a good time.

I, Irma Fetch, will my love of Commercial subjects to Kathleen Quirin.

I, Frank Hanaway, will my football ability to Edward Hilgendorf.

I, John Hanselman, will my curly hair to Jack Lint.

I, Max Harker, will my love of butch haircuts to Dale Bennett.

I, Jim Ford, will my "clowning" ability to all fun-loving juniors.

In witness hereof, we the undersigned, do affix our signature this first day of June, One thousand, Nine hundred and Forty-eight.

—Robert Shimmel, Joan Lawler, Phil Pugh





# Snips and Snaps of the Year



As the year slowly comes to an end, we like to look back and recall some of the happy events. There was the sale of hot dogs at football games, that jolly eighth grade party, the "New Look of 1948", three winsome models of today's styles, the awarding of letters, and "King Maner" on his throne at the J-Hop.





# Our Activities

When time, who steals our years away  
Shall steal our pleasures too,  
The memory of the past will stay,  
And half our joys renew.

—Thomas Moore







# Student Council



Seated left to right—J. Linder, B. King, J. Hulse, G. Hunter, M. Perry, L. Smoker, L. Danneberg, M. Sheetz.  
Standing—E. Tompkins, J. Ford, R. Freeman.

## Our Student Council

President-----Jim Ford  
Vice-President-----Ellen Tompkins  
Secretary-----Bob Freeman  
Sponsors---Mr. Perry and Mr. Wheat

A government of the students, by the students, and for the students is that which is invested in the Student Council. The organization consists of 12 members, two from each class, elected at the beginning of the school year. During the course of this year, there have been many changes in the proceedings of this group, but they have been toward a more active Council.

They have made plans for a student court, ordered pins for the first time, sponsored an exchange assembly with Coldwater, and attended the All-State Student Council Convention in Ann Arbor. All usual activities were carried on, such as arrangements for parties and assemblies throughout the year. This organization is becoming more prominent in our school each year, and is rapidly developing into a most worthwhile project.

Your Council looks back with pleasure to the good times they have had serving you this year.



## COMMERCIAL CLUB

Pres.—Barbara Carter

V. Pres.—Marilyn Bell

Sec. & Treas.—Shirley Dickerson

Counselors—Mrs. Vera Haack & Mr. Cecil DeHaven

The Commercial Club is organized to promote interest in the business world and to keep familiar with the demands of business. The club boasts a membership of thirty.

Several highly interesting and educational programs were planned this year. A trip through the Kirsch Co. conducted by Mr. Lindquist, showed the students the bookkeeping system. An evening program in December consisted of three commercial pictures. The March meeting was in charge of Mr. Tucker, Vice-president of Ft. Wayne International Business College who spoke on „The Value of A Good Business College Training.” In April the annual shorthand and typing contests were held. A picnic at Klinger Lake ended the year.



## LIBRARY CLUB

President.....Ardis Van Poppel

Secretary and Treasurer....Fern Falkenstein

Social Chairman.....Donna Britton

Adviser.....Mrs. Ruth Brown

Using any extra study period for gaining a credit in library work, the members of the Library Service Club carry on daily in any phase of library work. During each period the student helpers assist Mrs. Brown in the work that is required to keep the library running smoothly.

Various meetings are held each semester. The club celebrated the holidays of Halloween, Christmas, and Washington's birthday with parties, and will close its year with a picnic. Eighteen members served this year.





# Clubs



## VARSITY CLUB

President.....Bob Freeman  
 Vice-President.....Jim Ford  
 Secretary.....Bill Stapleton  
 Treasurer.....Tom Walters  
 Adviser.....Mr. Raymond Smith

To be eligible for the Varsity Club a boy must have earned a Varsity letter in a major sport and he must be active in the sports program throughout the time that he is a member.

The club opened its program of activities this year with a "bang up" initiation banquet for new members at the close of the football season at which time eleven new members came into the club.

Ushering at the S.W.M. Band and Orchestra meeting, at basket-ball games, tournament games and the Operetta were a few of the services of the club which were greatly appreciated by the public.

Their outstanding money-making project this year was the dance which they sponsored after a football victory over Three Rivers at which time they raffled off the ball used in that game. This event together with the programs for the tournament games financed the purchase of those attractive jackets and pins which are the pride and joy of each club member.

Before the year draws to a close a couple of other social get-togethers will also have made history.



## DRAMATIC CLUB

President.....Connie Danneberg  
 Vice-President.....Mary D. Huntley  
 Secretary.....Joyce Stutz  
 Corresponding Secretary.....Mary Heaton  
 Treasurer.....Judy Kirsch  
 Advisers...Miss Huizenga & Miss Whitelock

The Dramatic Club was organized three years ago to stimulate an interest in all phases of dramatics—production, acting, and directing.

The club tries to meet every two weeks and has a membership of 25. Their activities were curtailed somewhat this year because of the fact that a very large portion of the club members had leads in the major dramatic productions on the regular school program. However, they prepared two pantomimes for the exchange assembly with Coldwater "The Light House Keeper's Daughter" and "Trouble in the Cellar"; they helped with the back stage work for both the junior and senior plays and the operetta; they gave a school assembly and entertained the Ambassador's Club at the Methodist Church with one of their "skits".

Last fall the club members traveled to Battle Creek to see "The Man Who Came to Dinner" which starred Mr. William Smith, a former teacher in our school.

This spring they are planning to present a one act play for the annual Valley Play Festival.

Besides this they have had two informal parties which were highly successful.



# F. H. A.



On floor—Eileen Oppenheimer, Inda Holliday, Barbara Abbs, Carole Anderson, Georgia Conrad, Patricia Wallick.

Seated—Miss Pettyjohn, Lois John, Donna Britton, Norma Kessler, Mary J. Kelley, Grace Prestidge.

Standing—Norma Morrison, Ann Miller, Barbara Kerr, Bonnie Kelley.

President-----Beverly Dauber  
 Vice-President-----Lois John  
 Secretary-----Bonnie Kelley  
 Treasurer-----Grace Prestidge  
 Adviser-----Miss Doris Pettyjohn

The future Home makers of America is a national organization for pupils studying home making in the high schools of our country.

The Sturgis chapter opened its year's program of activities with a formal initiation in October. This was followed by a most successful Christmas Chocolate for the mothers of the club members. Two informal get-to-gether parties which have left pleasant memories were the picnic at Grace Prestidge's cottage at Eberhard Lake and a tobogganing party at Klinger Lake.

The entire club attended the Regional F.H.A. convention held at Kalamazoo last fall at which sixty

clubs were represented. The girls attended lectures, toured the college campus and were guests of the College Home Economics Club at a tea in the Union Building. Bonnie Kelley, the regional president, presided at this meeting.

During Easter vacation, Bonnie Kelley, Lois John, Pat Ware and Grace Prestidge represented the club at the State Convention held on the campus of M. S. C. The Sturgis chapter had charge of the elections. One of the high lights of this convention was the formal dinner held in the ball room of the Union Building.

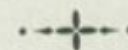
Lois Johns holds the honor this year of having been chosen as delegate from this region to the National Convention to be held this summer at Kansas City, Missouri.

This progressive club closed its year of activities by holding a "Pal Night" party out at Camp Fort Hill.





Hi Russ - Best of luck to  
you always. Don't forget  
U.S. History and your strawberry  
sundae. Also my kids for  
the I-Hop  
**G.A.A.**  
Mary Lee



#### G.A.A. OFFICERS

Row 1—M. Funk, E. Tompkins, J. Stutz, C. Merchant

Row 2—R. Rerick, J. Sherry, B. Werkhaven, J. Lawler,  
Miss Frances Aungst.

Row 1 Bottom—J. Lawler, L. Baylor, G. McCarthy, M. Kisseberth, N. Niles, P. Blossom,  
D. Lewis, D. Keeslar, D. Britton, I. Busz, G. Bartold.

Row 2—J. Benham, S. Freeland, J. Bandholtz, P. Foster, J. Berg, J. Kemble, C. Merchant,  
J. Bassett, S. McLauchlin, B. Kerr, J. King, C. Norris, H. Emerson.

Row 3—J. Bivens, J. Kirsch, L. Mowry, A. Miller, J. Crago, N. Kanouse, J. Kasdorf,  
M. Funk, M. Huntley, L. Danneberg, M. Heaton, R. Kauffman, S. Castle, P. Kruger, N. Kline,  
M. Bell, S. Dickerson, J. Holtz.

Row 4—N. Kruger, D. Mann, J. Moon, L. John, P. Mast, D. Bowen, J. Howk, J. Ziglear,  
C. Danneberg, W. Murray, G. Griffis, T. Brouse, D. Hollister, M. Bassett, J. Avery, J. Long.





# G.A.A.

"Miss Aungst, how many points do we get for bowling? When are we going tobogganing again? Let's have another hay-ride and dance afterward."

These are the voices of the girls who are working toward their numerals and letters awarded each year at the Honor Night Banquet, at which time the "honor girl" from the senior class is introduced. We went to press too early to get her name on the plaque which is

hung in Miss Aungst's office.

Active at all times is the advisory council for the G.A.A., made up of the officers of the organization who plan the activities of the club.

The year's activities culminate in the traditional Sweetheart Swing which follows a "Sadie Hawkins" week—an event which is looked forward to with interest and anticipation.

*Best of luck  
Remember from  
Miss. Wonderful was  
S. B. Ostrander  
Sue*



Seated—L. Sherry, B. Werkhaven, E. Tompkins, J. Sherry, B. Waltke, B. Whipple, P. Stratton, B. Trim, T. Ostrander, B. Powers.

Row 2—B. Reed, D. Willoughby, W. Teadt, W. Teadt, M. Storms, D. Sigrist, J. Stutz, L. Shook, W. West, J. Parks, A. VanPoppel, F. Studeman.

Row 3—M. Wise, P. Unterkercher, S. Seger, R. Rerick, G. Wetters, B. Pannell, A. Young, M. Weed, G. Prestidge, P. Ware, M. Winslow, E. Studeman.





# Senior Class Presents



## "THE NIGHT OF JANUARY 16TH"

The Senior Class chose a very unusual play, "The Night of January 16th", a murder mystery, for their production. A young secretary, Karen Andre, accused of the murder of her employer, was put on trial for her life. The play portrayed stark realism, not, however, without an occasional bit of humor, consciously or unconsciously portrayed by the witnesses who were taken from every walk of life. The jury, seated on the stage, was chosen from the audience, and, as in real trials, they rendered a verdict, in this case, "not guilty!"

Each player handled his role admirably and the audience felt that they had attended an actual trial and waited eagerly for the verdict.

"Karen Andre, did you love Bjourn Faulkner?"





# The Night of January 16th

## CAST OF CHARACTERS

Prison Matron.....Barbara Werkhaven  
Bailiff.....John Bogart  
Judge Heath.....Tom Walters  
District Attorney Flint.....Robert Summey  
His Secretary.....Thayma Ostrander  
Clerk of Court.....Ronnie Price  
Karen Andre.....Connie Norris  
Dr. Kirkland.....Paul Jordan  
Defense Lawyer Stevens.....Jim Ford  
His Secretary.....Barbara Carter  
Mrs. John Hutchins.....Ellen Tompkins  
Homer Van Fleet.....Robert Shimmel  
Elmer Sweeney.....Rondo Selser  
Nancy Lee Faulkner.....Joan Lawler  
Magda Svenson.....Joan Sherry  
John Graham Whitfield.....Terry Melchi  
Jane Chandler.....JoAnn Ziglear  
Sigurd Jungquist.....George Shimp  
Larry Regan.....Bill Stapleton  
Roberta Van Rensselaer.....Connie Danneberg  
Stenographer.....Corina Ailes



Larry Regan: "If she's guilty, I'm guilty, Mr. District Attorney."







## We Produce Your Paper

The Trojan brings the faculty, the students and the parents in contact with the social and educational training which our school offers.

Once a month a paper is published and the finished product portrays the long hours of staff cooperation which is an essential element in the lives of future American citizens.

This year interest in the advertising field was stimulated by a contest in layouts sponsored by the Seger Store. A series of broadcasts were also sponsored by the Journalism class over Stations W O W O and W K Z O.

Mrs. Raymond Pugh has been a capable and interested instructor of this work for the past three years.

Trojan Officers—Tom Walters, Bus. Mgr; Jim Ford, Ass't Ed.; Connie Danneberg, Editor; Barbara Werkhaven, Ass't. Bus. Mgr.

# TROJAN STAFF

Reading from left to right around the table—B. Werkhaven, C. Norris, G. Bartold, J. Lawler, E. Tompkins, P. Jordan, T. Melchi, B. Carter, C. Danneberg, Mrs. Alice Pugh, J. Ford, T. Walters, R. Summey, B. Stapleton.

Back Row—D. Darby, J. Ziglear, N. Kline, H. Emerson, J. Sherry, J. Avery, W. West.





## *We Produce Your Book*

This year marks the thirty-second year of publication of an annual in our school. The project supports itself by the splendid cooperation of the merchants in their advertising and by the subscription sales for the book itself.

The Sturgensian has become a familiar book in the homes of thousands of graduates of Sturgis High as the result of its thirty-two years of publication and distribution. It preserves the memories of some pleasant hours of their lives; furnishes hours of entertainment, and serves as a record of the past.

Staff members, past and present, are proud to have had a part in the publication of the year book.

Annual Officers—Editor, J. Lawler; Bus. Mgr., R. Shimmel; Ass't. Ed., E. Tompkins.



# ANNUAL STAFF

Annual Staff—C. Danneberg, T. Melchi, B. Werkhaven, W. Linder, C. Norris, T. Walters.





# Publication Club



Row 1—J. Avery, J. Lawler, B. Werkhaven

Row 2—W. West, C. Danneberg, Mrs. Alice Pugh, J. Sherry, T. Walters

Row 3—B. Linder, B. Stapleton, C. Norris, H. Emerson, T. Melchi, R. Shimmel

Absent from picture: E. Tompkins



## Quill and Scroll

Quill and Scroll is a National honorary society for high school journalists. Those eligible for membership are journalism students who have contributed outstanding effort toward the publication of either the Trojan or Sturgensian and who rank high scholastically.

The club composed of sixteen members is not a very active organization. At the close of the school year, however, a very impressive and formal initiation was held, following a banquet. Mrs. R. Pugh has been faculty advisor for this club since its organization three years ago.



# Co-Operative Training



Row 1—P. Kelley, I. Fetch, A. King, J. Houck, I. Pappas, P. Mast, D. Lewis, B. Kelley, C. Rynearson, W. Murray.

Row 2— Mr. Cecil DeHaven, Mr. Wayne Carpenter, D. Lewis, L. West, D. Stuart, P. Reed, J. Bradley, B. Dobberteen, P. Fennel, D. Picker, K. Miller, H. Melchi, P. Krueger, Mrs. Vera Haack, Mr. Kenneth Squires.

A new opportunity for aid in deciding your future was introduced into SHS this year when the Co-operative training program was instigated. To qualify in this program a student must be fifteen years old and have reached the junior class in high school. Twenty-eight "studes" are taking advantage of this wonderful opportunity this year.

There are three objectives in this program. They are: (1) to aid in training an adequate supply of qualified and stable workers. (2) to cushion the im-

pact during the transition period from school to job. (3) to educate and provide training in a selected occupation.

Training is experienced under actual working conditions with the employer acting as the instructor for actual working experience.

One unit toward graduation is allowed each student enrolled in this program. We feel that the credit and the money received will make this an even more attractive course in the future.

DR. SOBER



"Now this won't hurt a bit."

MR. BOWDISH

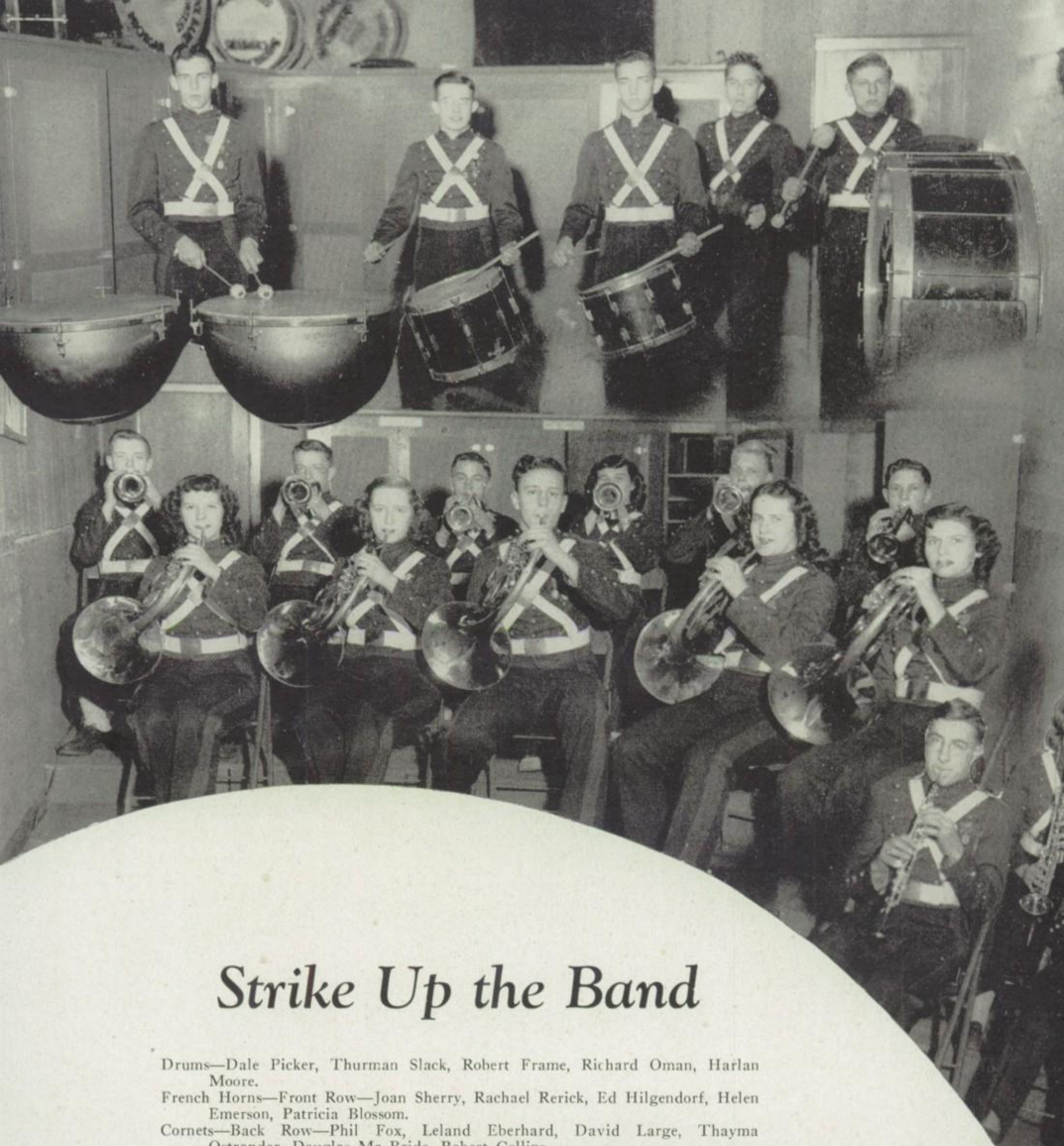


"Now tell me what you see."









## Strike Up the Band

Drums—Dale Picker, Thurman Slack, Robert Frame, Richard Oman, Harlan Moore.

French Horns—Front Row—Joan Sherry, Rachael Rerick, Ed Hilgendorf, Helen Emerson, Patricia Blossom.

Cornets—Back Row—Phil Fox, Leland Eberhard, David Large, Thayma Ostrander, Douglas Mc Bride, Robert Collins.

Oboe—Mark Moyer.

Alto-Clarinet—Sara Seger.

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Clarinets—Front Row—Thelma Brouse, Ruth Kauffman, Doris Bowen,  
Back Row—Doreen Lewis, June Avery, Lois Stump, Betty Colpetsir,  
Lora Mowry.

Director—Mr. Wheat.

Horns—Front Row—Alan Freeland, David Finch, Dean Lewis.

Second Row—John Niggli, Terry Melchi, Jack Frohriep, Willene Whittenberger, Lonnie Randall.

Back Row—Benny Persing, Bob Klesert, Don Lytle, Dick Hyde.

Front—Lois Shook, oboe; JoAnn Benham, flute.

Back—Mary Lee Funk, Mary Chupp, bassoon.

Clarinets—Bottom—Dorothy Keeslar, Beverly Pannell, Doris Willoughby.

Back Row—Betty Quirin, Phyllis Unterkircher, Joanne Bivens, Joe Blasius.



# Our Band



The Sturgis High School Band, composed of sixty-eight players, is the second largest musical group in the school. Rehearsals are held daily. The band is not only on hand for all games played here, but they participate in many outside activities.

In the Southwestern Michigan Marching Festival held in Sturgis October 1, the band won first place. On October 4, they appeared in Kalamazoo at the High School Band Day sponsored by Western Michigan College. Among its other activities this year was an out of town trip to Battle Creek to play at the Camp Custer Veterans' Hospital football game. A two day Band Playshop was held in Sturgis on February 20 and 21. On March 19 they attended the District Competitive Festival in Kalamazoo, placing second in the Class B group. Soloists and ensembles walked off with seven first place honors. Six soloists and four ensembles attended the State Festival in East Lansing on April 10. Five Sturgis Band members toured to Detroit on April 18-19 to play for the Music Educators' National Conference with the All-State Band. The annual Band Bust closed the year's program, funds from which will send Sturgis musicians to the National Music Camp at Interlochen.

Saxaphones—Martin Lutz, Paul Jordan, Nancy Niles, Betty Reed.

Saxaphones—Stanley Zimmerman, Jim Lamborne, Sharon Freeland, Ray Dresser.

Clarinets—Ilene Bassett, Phyllis Stratton, Jocelyn Kemble.



# Orchestra



The orchestra group consists of 30 beginning players whose ambition is to form the nucleus for an orchestra next year.

# The Junior Band



The Junior Band is made up of 38 players from the seventh and eighth grades. In this group, the student receives basic instruction for later band work.



# Girls' Chorus

A. Rose, M. Pagels, J. Benham, F. Provancha, J. Bartold, B. Waltke, M. Storms, D. Sigrist,  
S. Freeland, P. Hannaway, D. Godden  
J. Stinchcomb, G. Cummins, J. Lawrence, C. Merchant, H. Emerson, G. Griffis, L. Baylor,  
J. Lawler, E. Tompkins, L. Stump, J. Reed, V. Allabach  
S. Castle, G. Prestidge, B. Werkhaven, K. McDonnley, G. Conrad, B. Copetzen, A. Miller,  
W. Wittenburger, E. Lewis, E. Lewis, G. Wetters, D. Keeslar, M. Wise, C. Ailes



J. Nickles, M. Funk, U. Yunker, P. Stratton, P. Blossom, B. Trim, B. Powers, N. Morrison,  
C. Lego, F. Mishler, E. Holiday  
P. Underkircher, J. Bivens, D. Willoughby, J. Kirsch, S. Seger, B. Quirin, P. Borgert,  
R. Schrader, P. Foster, L. Shook, J. Ziglear, B. Wright.  
L. Johns, L. Danneberg, R. Kauffman, D. Mann, T. Brouse, R. Pierson, R. Rerich, D. Lewis,  
B. Pannell, C. Norris, L. Sherry, M. Woods, S. McLauchlin

Interest in the music department this year seems to have been school wide, with a marked growth in all musical organizations. The largest of this group is the chorus composed of 109 vocalists, and a junior training chorus of 45 singers. Throughout the year, the chorus is called upon to furnish solos and ensembles for various civic events, clubs, and church groups.

During the first semester most of the time was spent in preparing for the annual Christmas concert. Mr. Correll and the chorus worked long and hard on the various numbers for this production. The Christmas story was taken from the Bible, and read by Mr. Raymond Smith. Christmas hymns and carols interspersed the reading.

Probably the most outstanding event of the school year was the operetta "Sweethearts" produced on March 9 and 10 with all 109 chorus members participating. The A Capella Choir composed of 48 members of the high school chorus went to Ann Arbor in May for the State Vocal Festival.

At the close of the year, attention was focused on a Spring Concert. The students cooperated whole heartedly and produced another program of which Sturgis High School may be proud.

This organization is a source of pleasure and fun to all who are included.



# Boys' Chorus



Row 1—D. Miller, D. McCarthy, J. Barnell, J. Davis  
 Row 2—J. Frohriep, J. Ford, W. Yunker, R. Jordan, T. Walters, L. Franks  
 Row 3—D. Finch, D. Borgert, B. Holtz, K. Miller, T. Melchi, B. Lytle  
 Row 4—D. Lytle, B. Stapleton, J. Bogart, P. Pugh, T. Walters, P. Jordan

## Mr. Correll

*Richard V. Correll*

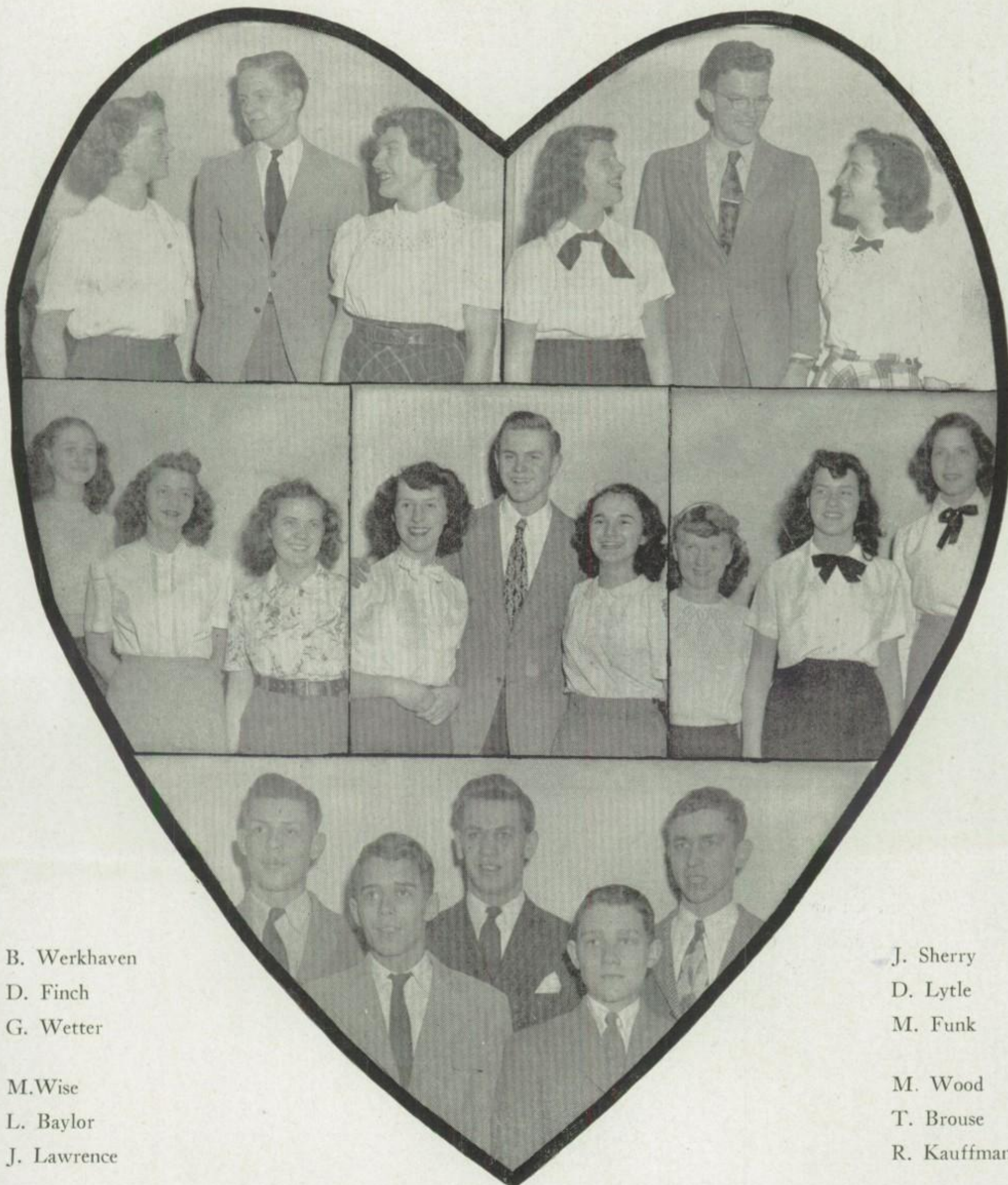


Mr. Richard V. Correll came to Sturgis two years ago as assistant to Mr. Wheat and now has charge of both the junior and high school choral groups, as well as the grade school band, and the beginning string instrument class.



# Sweethearts

by  
Victor Herbert



B. Werkhaven  
D. Finch  
G. Wetter

M. Wise  
L. Baylor  
J. Lawrence

J. Sherry  
D. Lytle  
M. Funk

M. Wood  
T. Brouse  
R. Kauffman

L. Sherry—J. Ford—B. Wright

J. Frohriep—J. Bogart—R. Brown

W. Holtz—D. Miller





- 1) "Baron, you do say the funniest things".—G. Wetters
- 2) Don Lytle as Franz sings: "Every Lover Must Meet His Fate"
- 3) Joan Sherry as Sylvia sings: "Sweethearts"

## "Sweethearts"

On March 8 and 9 the High School choral department presented the operetta "Sweethearts" by Victor Herbert. This particular production, a two-act comedy, was chosen for its rollicking, appealing humor, its catchy music and its general appeal to audience and cast alike.

The first act was staged in the courtyard of the Laundry of the White Geese, Belgium, while the second act took place in the Royal hunting lodge of the Prince of Zilania. Both scenes with their elaborate back drops painted by members of the Art Department under the direction of Mrs. Marie Brouse lent a realistic and charming atmosphere to the production.

For the first time in the history of operetta giving in the Sturgis schools a double cast was chosen to present certain special leads. Interchanging in the main roles for each night's performance were: Joan Sherry and Mary Lee Funk, as Sylvia, princess of Zilania; Barbara Werkhaven and Gloria Wetters, as Liane, a milliner in Bruges; Lois Sherry and Betty June Wright as Paula, proprietress of the White Geese Laundry; Bob Brown and Dave Miller, as Petrus Van Tromp; and Jack Frohriep and Bill Holtz, as Aristide Caniche. That each played his part to perfection was shown by the exceptionally large attendance at each performance.

The name of Victor Herbert stands for clever and

tuneful lyrics and this operetta had its share of enjoyable songs. From the standpoint of the audience the "Monks' Chorus" will perhaps be remembered longest. From the purely musical standpoint the lyric "Every Lover Must Meet His Fate" sung by Don Lytle, was possibly the prettiest. Other clever and catchy lyrics were "Jeanette and her Little Wooden Shoes" sung by Liane, Slingsby, Van Tromp, and Caniche; the opening chorus "Iron, Iron, Iron" by the laundresses; and "Cricket on the Hearth", sung by Sylvia and Franz. The song "Sweethearts", well known to the public and sung by Sylvia and the choruses, was very appealing.

The costuming was most attractive and appropriate. Girls of the Home Ec. Department under the supervision of Miss Pettyjohn, made the costumes for the girls. Boys' costumes were furnished by Eaves Company, New York.

Musical accompaniments were played by the Sturgis High School orchestra augmented by several fine string instrumentalists from the Ann Arbor and University High Schools. Piano accompanists were Betty Reed and Judy Kirsch.

Credit for this well presented production goes to Mr. P. S. Wheat and Mr. R. V. Correll, directors of the music department.



## Operetta



1) Gloria Wetters as Liane sings: "There's Magic in a Smile"



2) G. Wetters as Liane, together with Slingshy and Caniche and Van Tromp, sing "Jeanette and her Little Wooden Shoes", in the second night's production.



3) Barbara Werkhaven as Liane in the first night's production also sings: "Jeanette and her Little Wooden Shoes"

*He Boss,  
Don't forget the  
I can we had in U.S.  
History and in Math  
class. Good luck  
all your exam  
Gloria*



## Scenes

1) Mary Lee Funk as Sylvia singing "Sweethearts"

*Hi Buss,  
Loads of Luck to  
a nice boy. Of course  
your extra nice if you  
are from Ohio. I miss  
the place still. Be  
seeing you in the  
near future. (maybe)  
a Pal (O'heavan)  
Jean Lawrence*



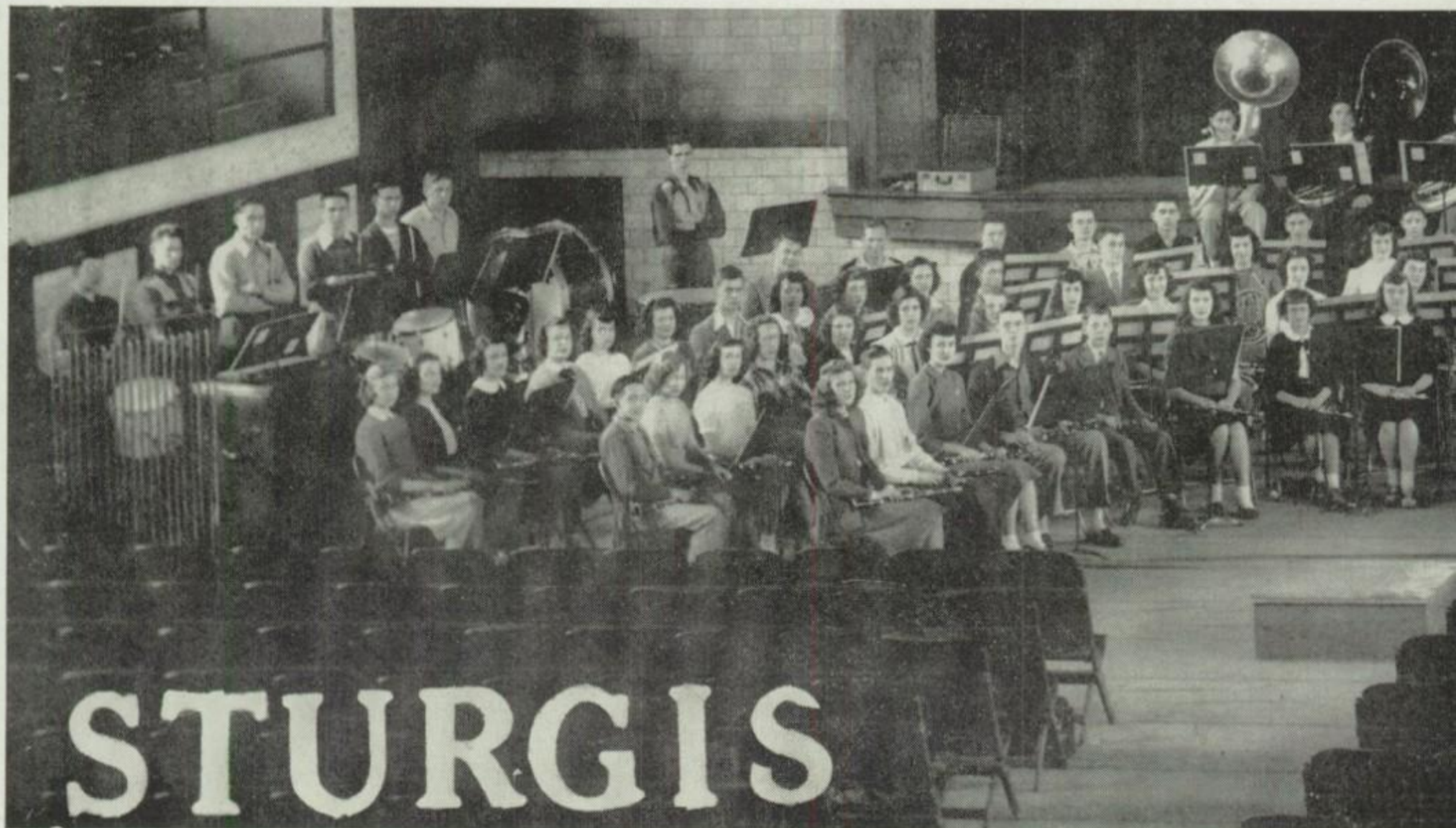
2) Jim Ford as Mikel, singing "Pretty As A Picture"



3) As the daughters of Dame Paula show Mikel their father's picture, Mikel says, "Heavens, do I look like that?"



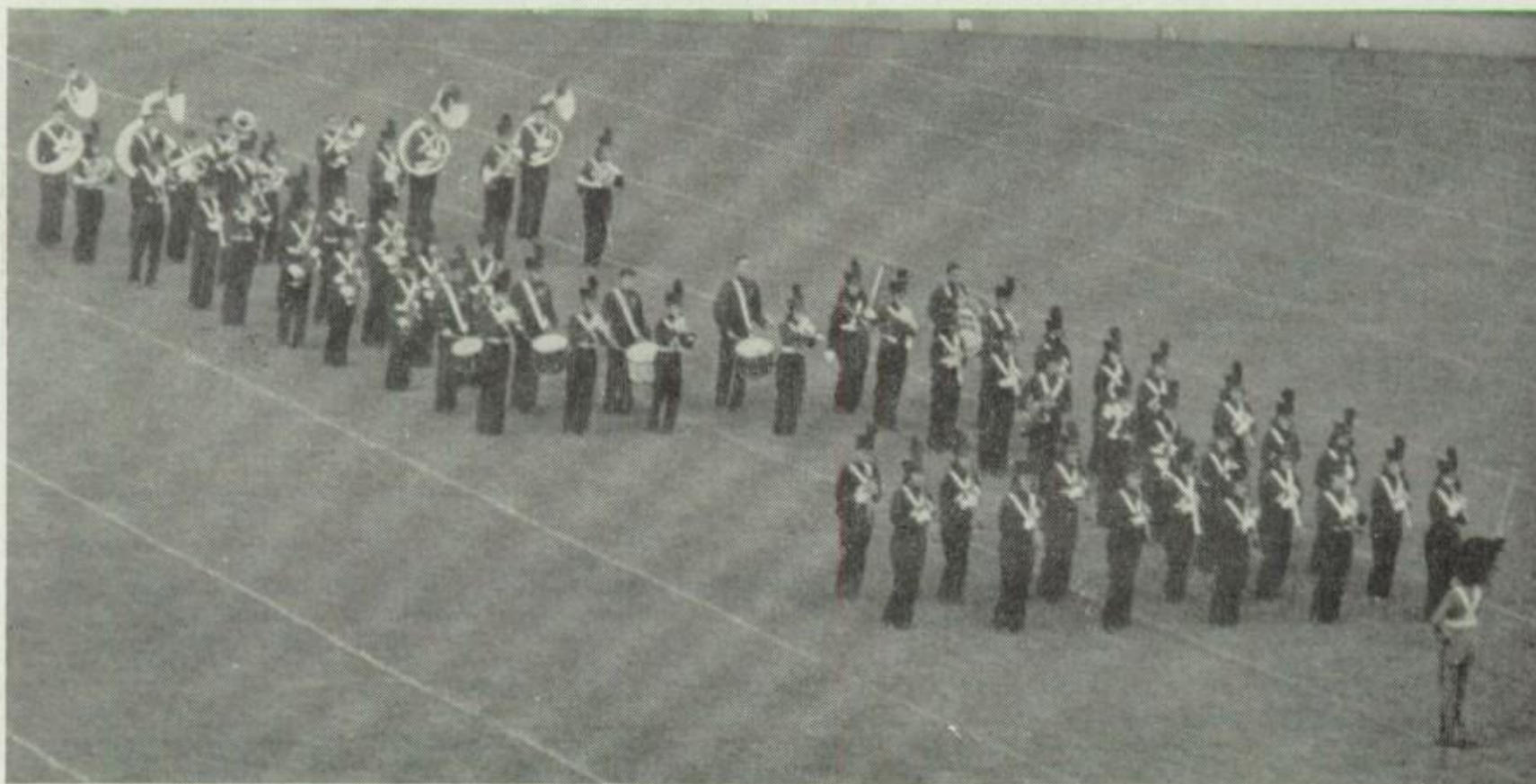




On February 21st and 22nd, some sixty band players from southwestern Michigan were invited to Sturgis to take part in the Playshop with the U. of M's band master, Mr. Wm. Revelli, as guest conductor. The program was broadcast over WKZO.

## Marching

Sturgis is guest for the day and performs its maneuvers at the half on the field of Western Michigan College, Kalamazoo for the game between Washington University St. Louis and Western Michigan College.







The Sturgis band was represented by 50 of its members. Other schools of Michigan which sent representatives were: Holland, Dowagiac, Belding, Muskegon Heights, Battle Creek, Ionia, Colon, St. Joseph, Three Rivers, White Pigeon, Burr Oak, Bronson, Marshall, Centreville and Coldwater. One of the very interesting features of the day was the presence of Sigurd Rascher, one of the greatest living saxophone players, who gave a 45 minute demonstration to the bands on the possibilities of a saxophone.

## *On and On*





# J Hop of 1947

"On with the dance-let joy be unconfined!" To the rhythm provoking strains of Bobby Wear's orchestra one hundred couples danced from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. on the evening of May 24th, at the school's annual J-Hop. This last fling of the year, the climax of social activities, is always eagerly awaited. The picturesque setting for this special occasion was "The Old Mill Stream." A realistic mill and wheel stand-

ing by the front of the gym spanned a stream of water. The sky was filled with spangled stars.

One unusual and added feature of this year's J-Hop was the choosing and crowning of Joan Sherry as queen. Rondo Selser, president of the Senior Class, awarded the crown. Memories of this happy event are recorded for you, dear reader, in the pictures found here.



The Queen—Joan Sherry  
President of Jr. Class—Rondo Selser





General Chairman and Decorations.....Barbara Werkhaven  
 Refreshments.....Joan Lawler  
 Programs and Invitations.....Jim Ford  
 Publicity.....Bill Stapleton

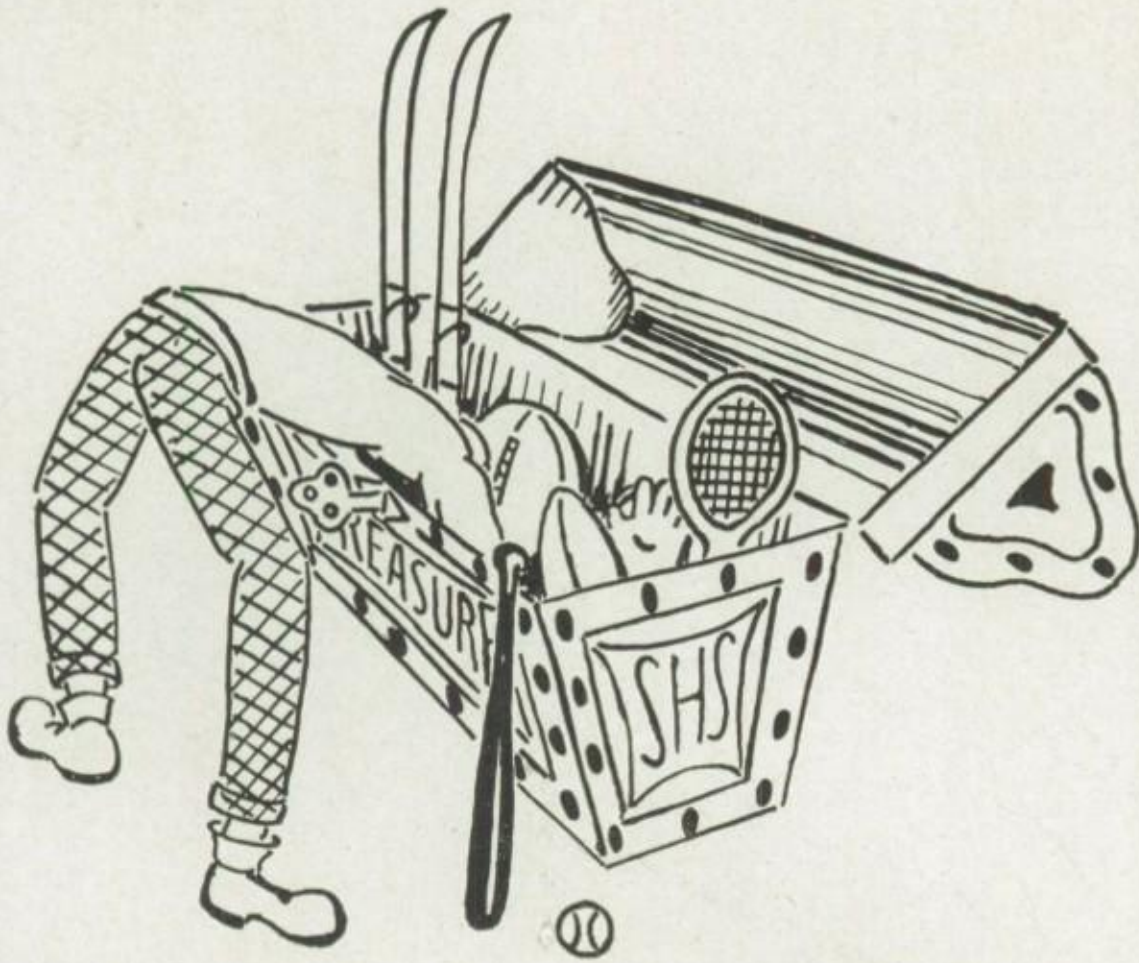
Orchestra.....John Bogart  
 Tickets.....Bob Shimmel  
 Clean-Up.....Barbara Carter

## JUNIOR SPONSORS

Mrs. Seitz, Miss Pettyjohn, Mrs. Brouse  
 CHAPERONES

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller  
 Mr. and Mrs. William Smith  
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert Finlay  
 Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bowdish  
 Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Maner  
 Mr. and Mrs. Edward Seitz  
 Miss Doris Pettyjohn  
 Mrs. Marie Brouse



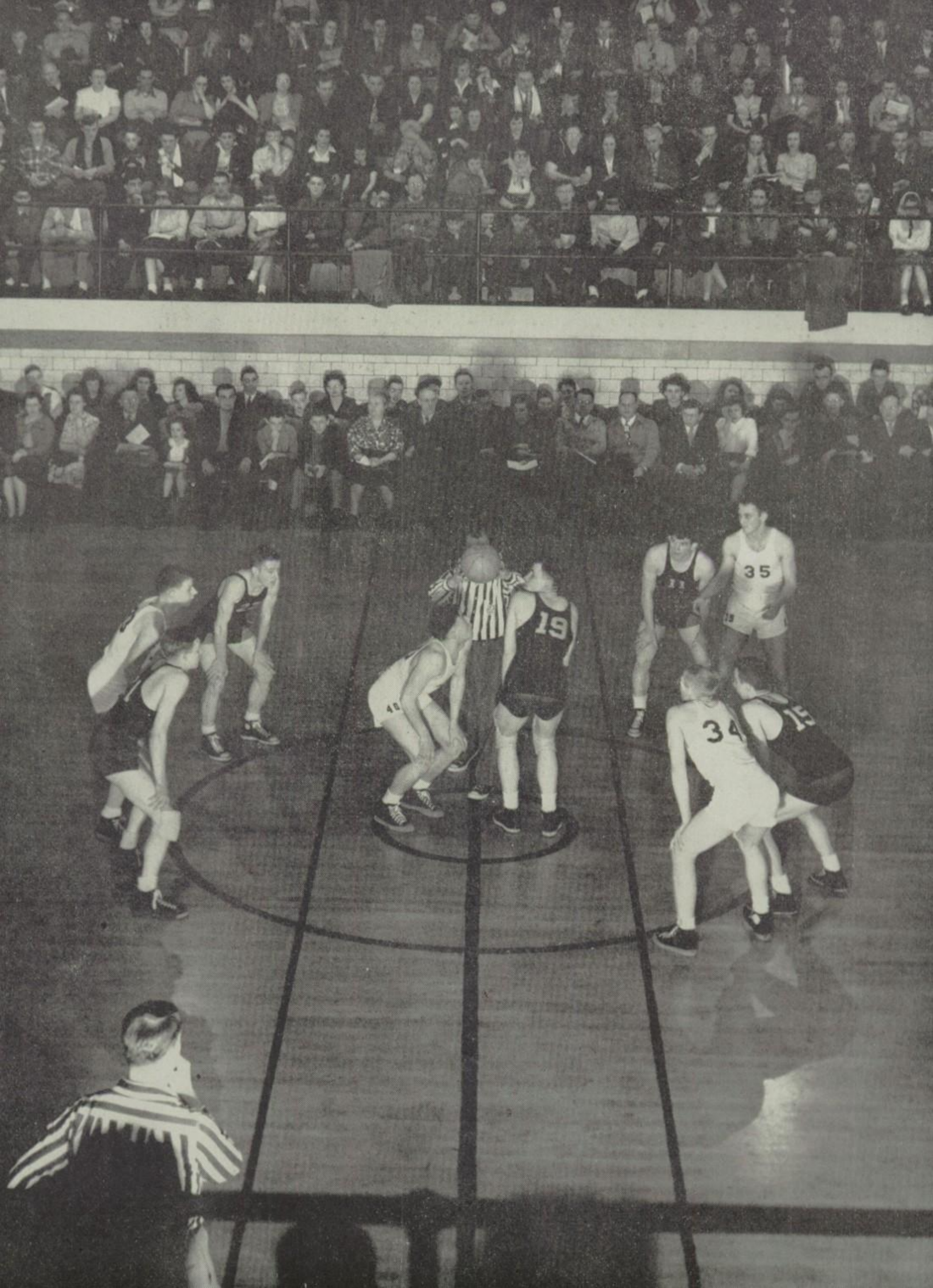


# Our Athletics

What peaceful hours I once enjoyed!  
How sweet their Memory still!

—Wm. Cooper







# Boosting Our Team



"Ready! Let's go!" With this cry, this year's cheerleaders were ready to put the crowd through their paces. Those peppy kids who gave forth with the yells were: Varsity—Lois Sherry, Lois John, Lois Shook and Janet Kasdorf. Reserve—Barbara Powers, Pat Blossom and Grace Prestidge.



Feeling in the need of some new outfits, the cheer leaders started the year off by purchasing new uniforms—black with white sweaters for Varsity leaders and black sweaters for reserves.

The cheerleaders sponsored many pep sessions before the games, during which speeches were made by various members of the faculty, and when we could get them by a little coaxing, by members of the team.

We feel the cheerleading has been successful this year, and we hope the cheering section will be bigger and better in Sturgis High's "more glorious future."





# On the Gridiron



Veld      Finlay      Miller

## OUR GRIDIRON PILOTS

Above are the three pilots who train our grid teams for S.H.S. Bob Finlay is the chief pilot. He is head football coach and takes charge of the backfield.

Paul Miller is assistant coach, and has charge of coaching the line.

Garrett Veld has charge of the reserve teams. He is the man responsible for the material in our future Varsity.

The 1947 gridiron team, featured on the next two pages, began the season with 9 lettermen from last year's squad.

The Trojans had a fairly successful season in that "we" won 3, lost 4, and tied 1 game. Of the 4 games lost, in only one, East Lansing, were we outscored in touchdowns. The remaining 3 defeats were all determined by extra points and a safety.

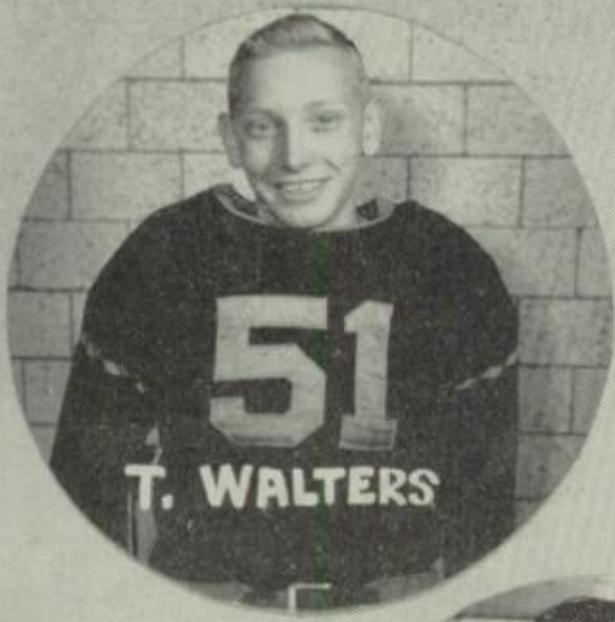
One unfortunate factor which had a bearing on our season was the loss of Jim Ford, star halfback, with a dislocated shoulder.

Bill Stapleton and Tom Walters were chosen as the Captains of the "47" squad. Selser and Walters, full-back and tackle respectively, were given a place on the Twin Valley All-Conference 2nd Team. Stapleton and Renner, end and guard respectively, were given honorable mention.

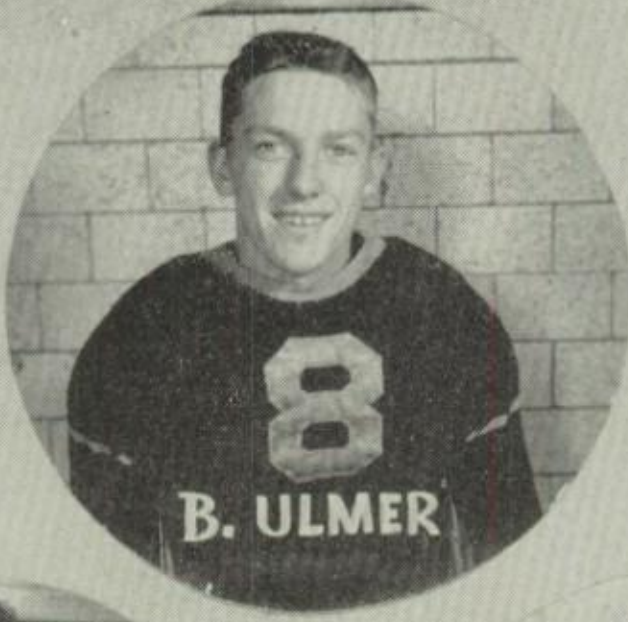
## SEASON RECORD

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| Sturgis | ..... 0 | East Lansing | ..... 9 |
| Sturgis | .....14 | Lakeview     | ..... 6 |
| Sturgis | ..... 7 | Hillsdale    | ..... 6 |
| Sturgis | ..... 6 | Marshall     | ..... 8 |
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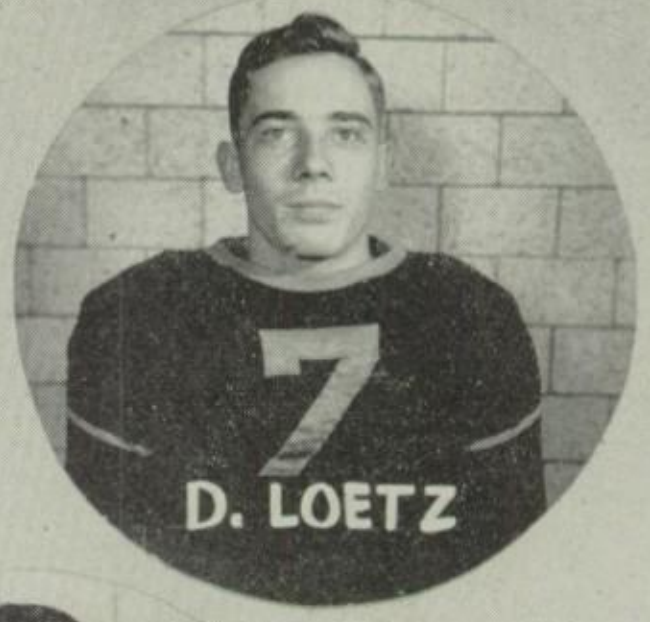




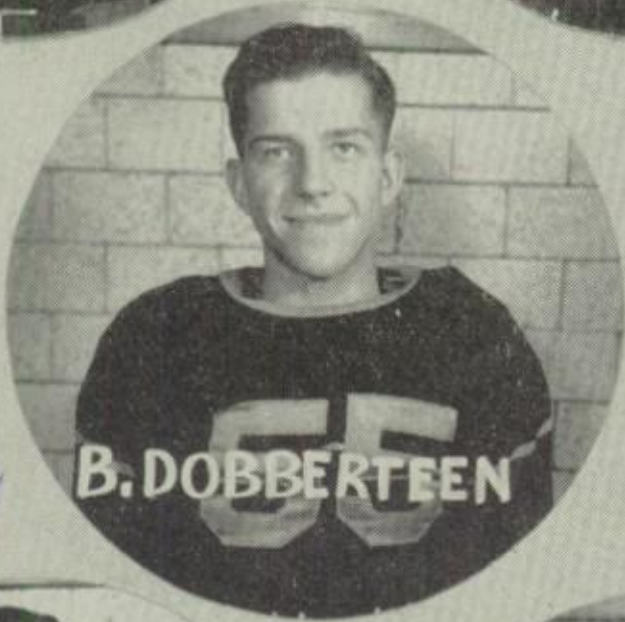
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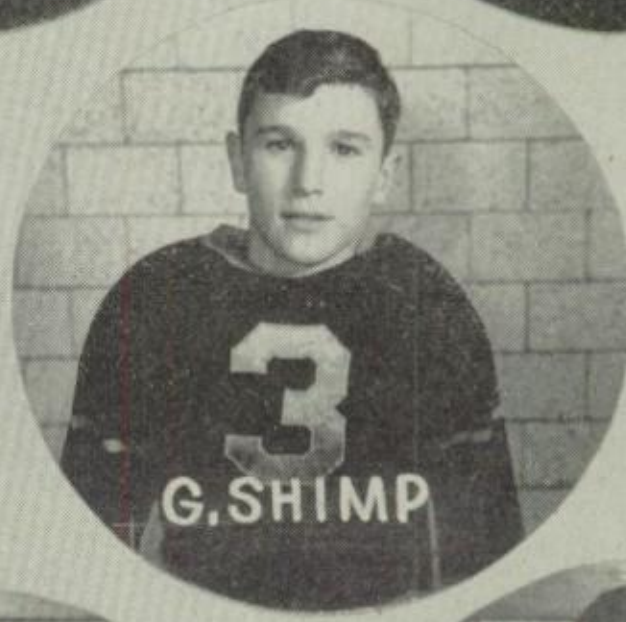
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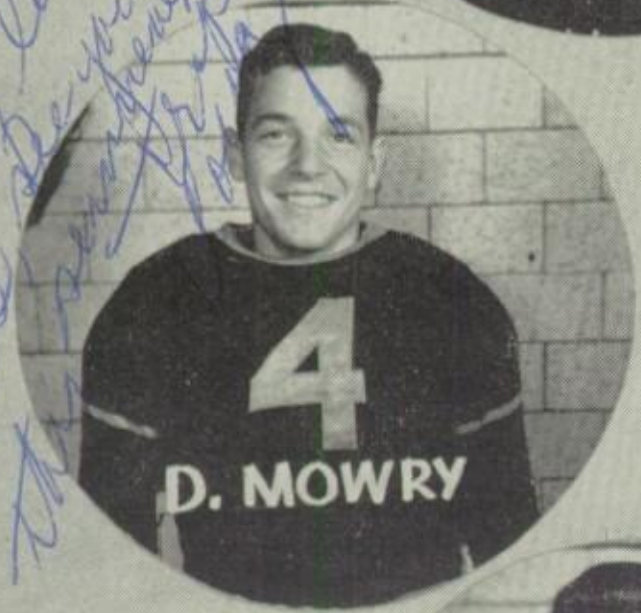
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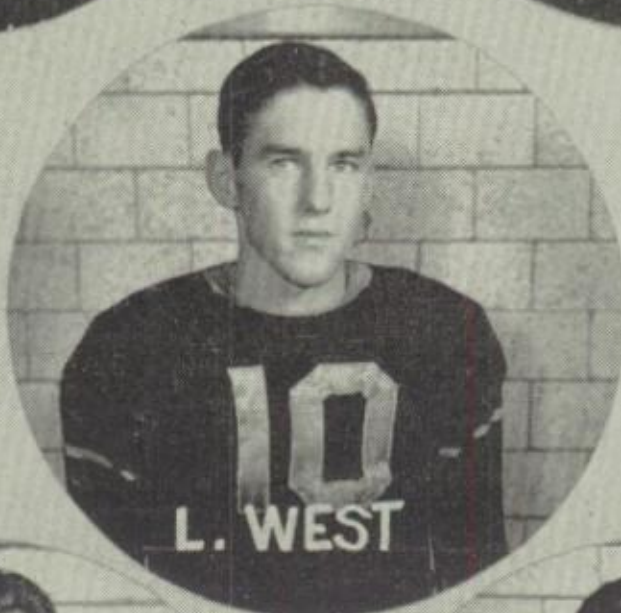
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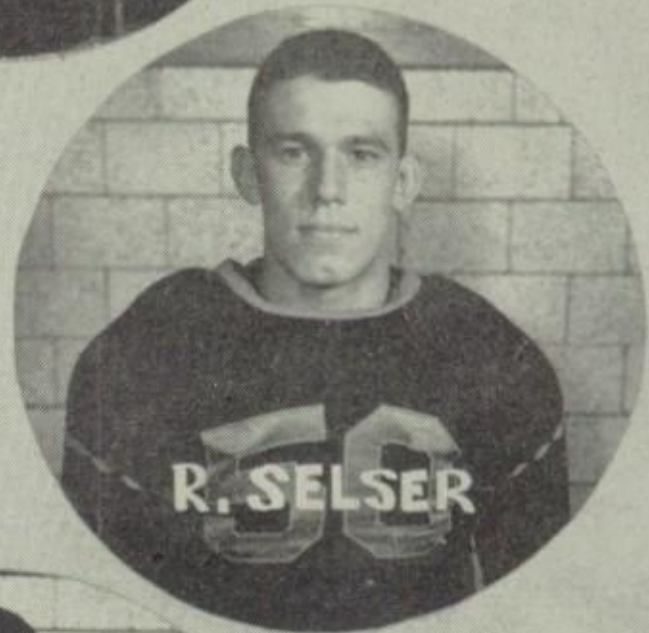
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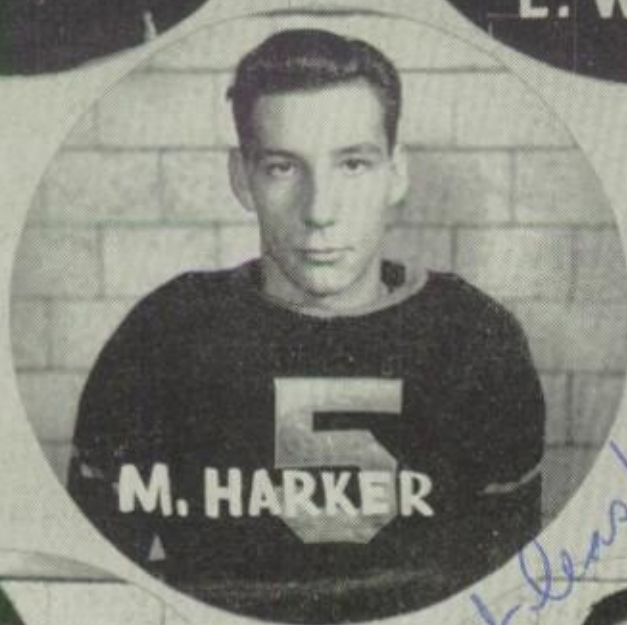
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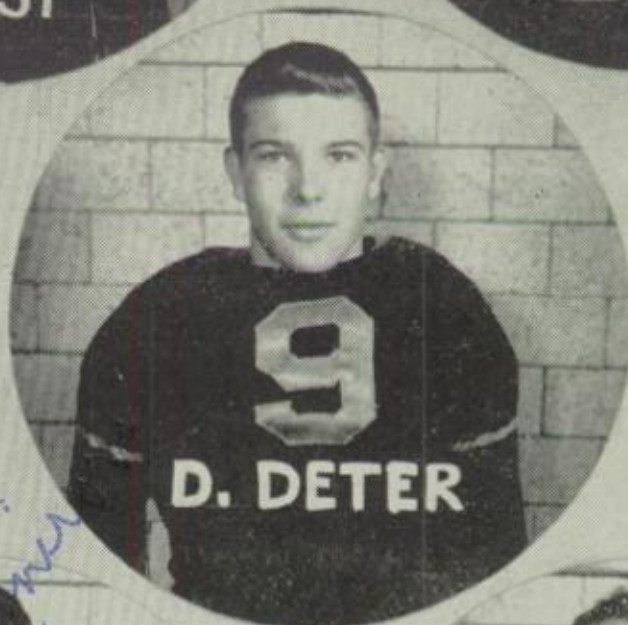
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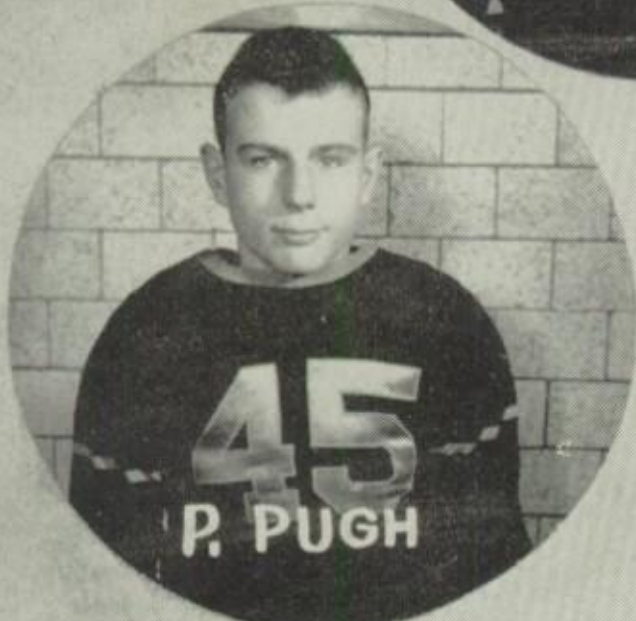
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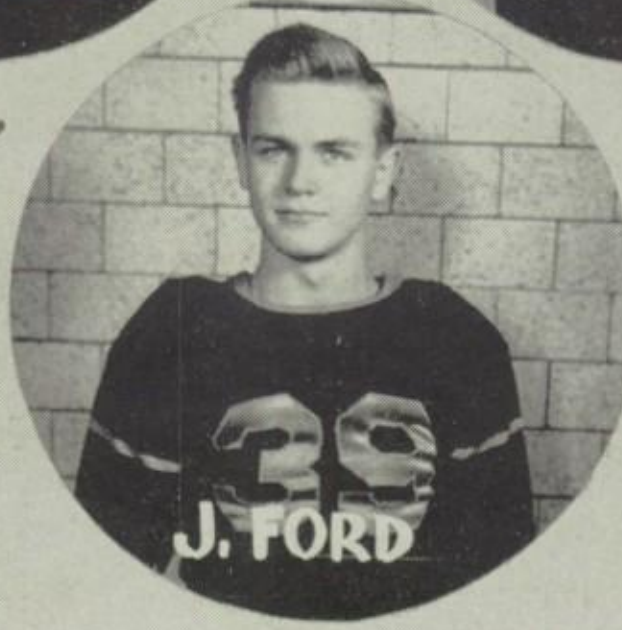
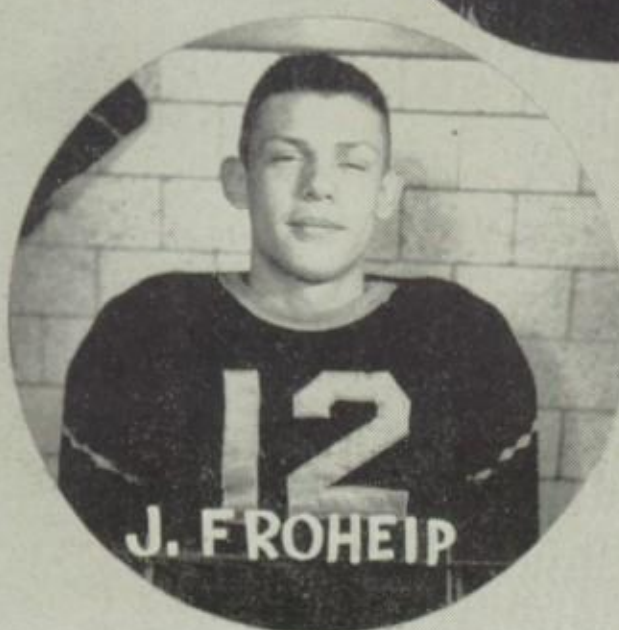
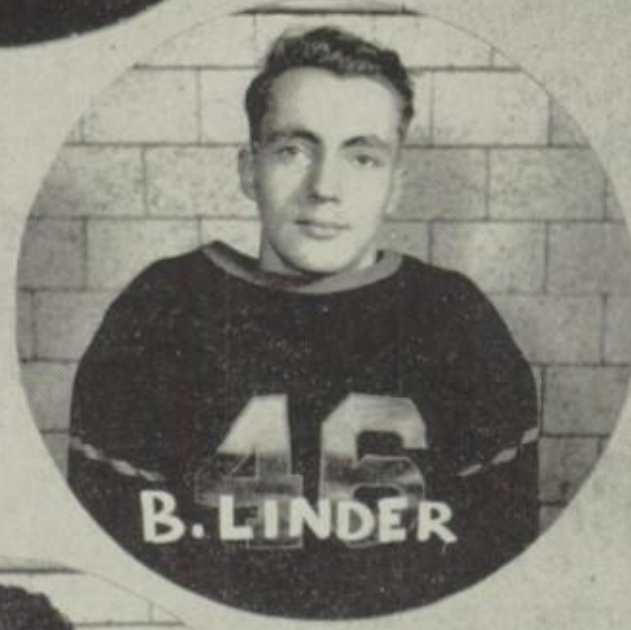
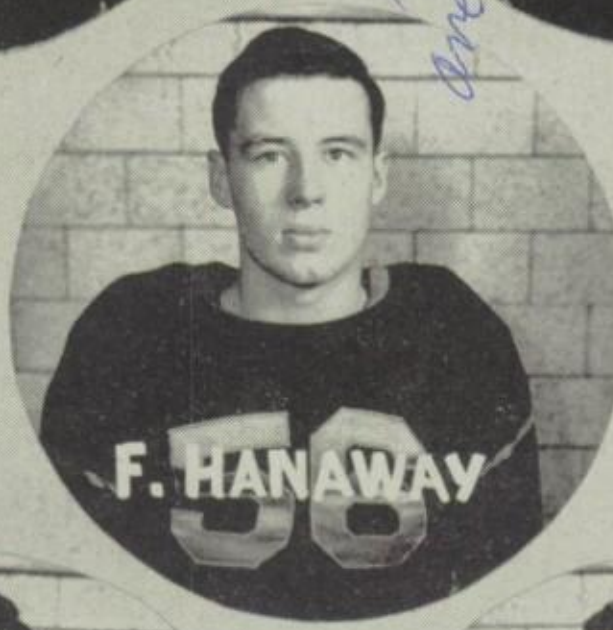
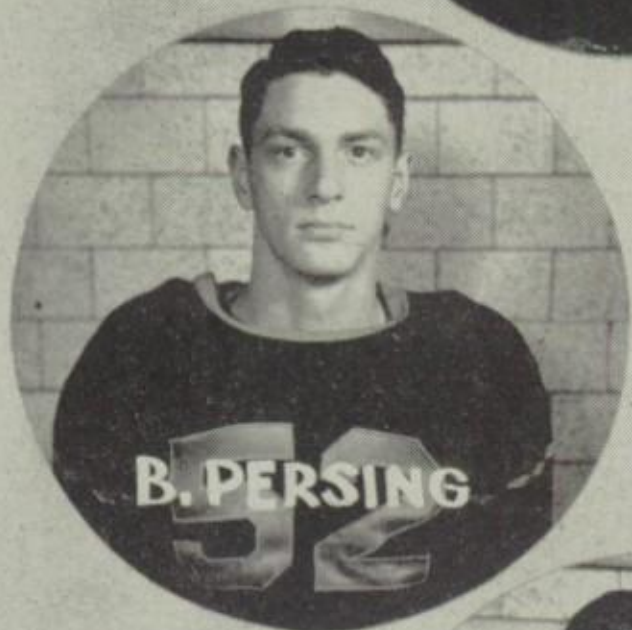
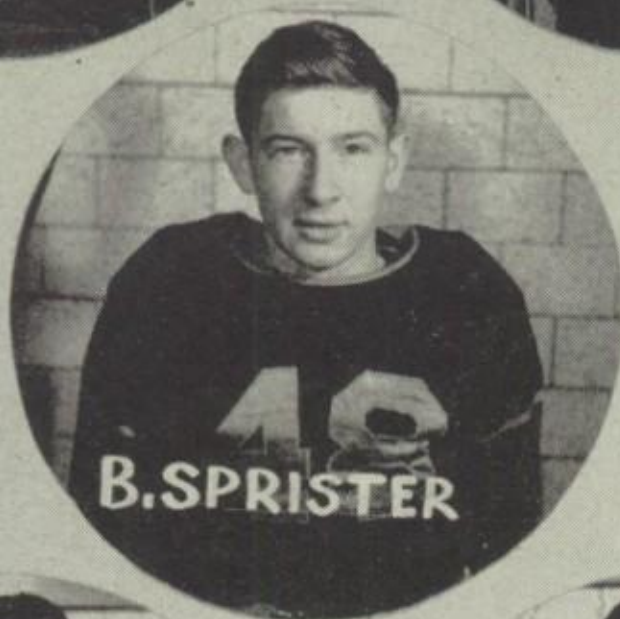
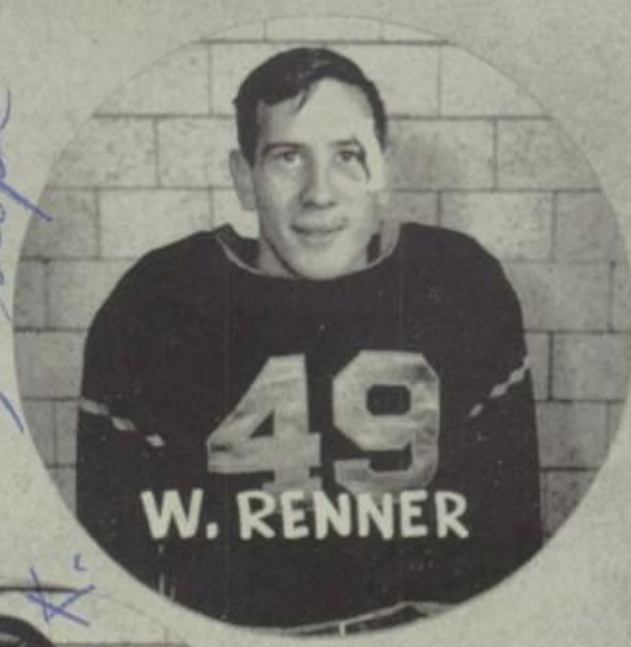
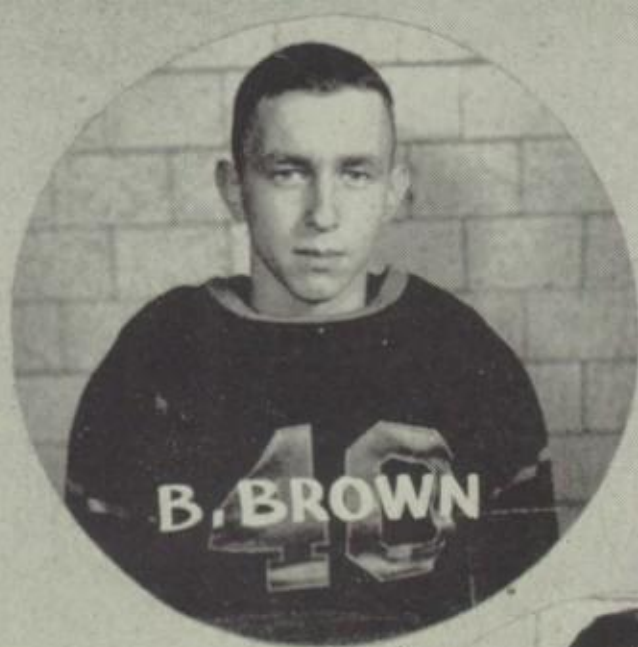


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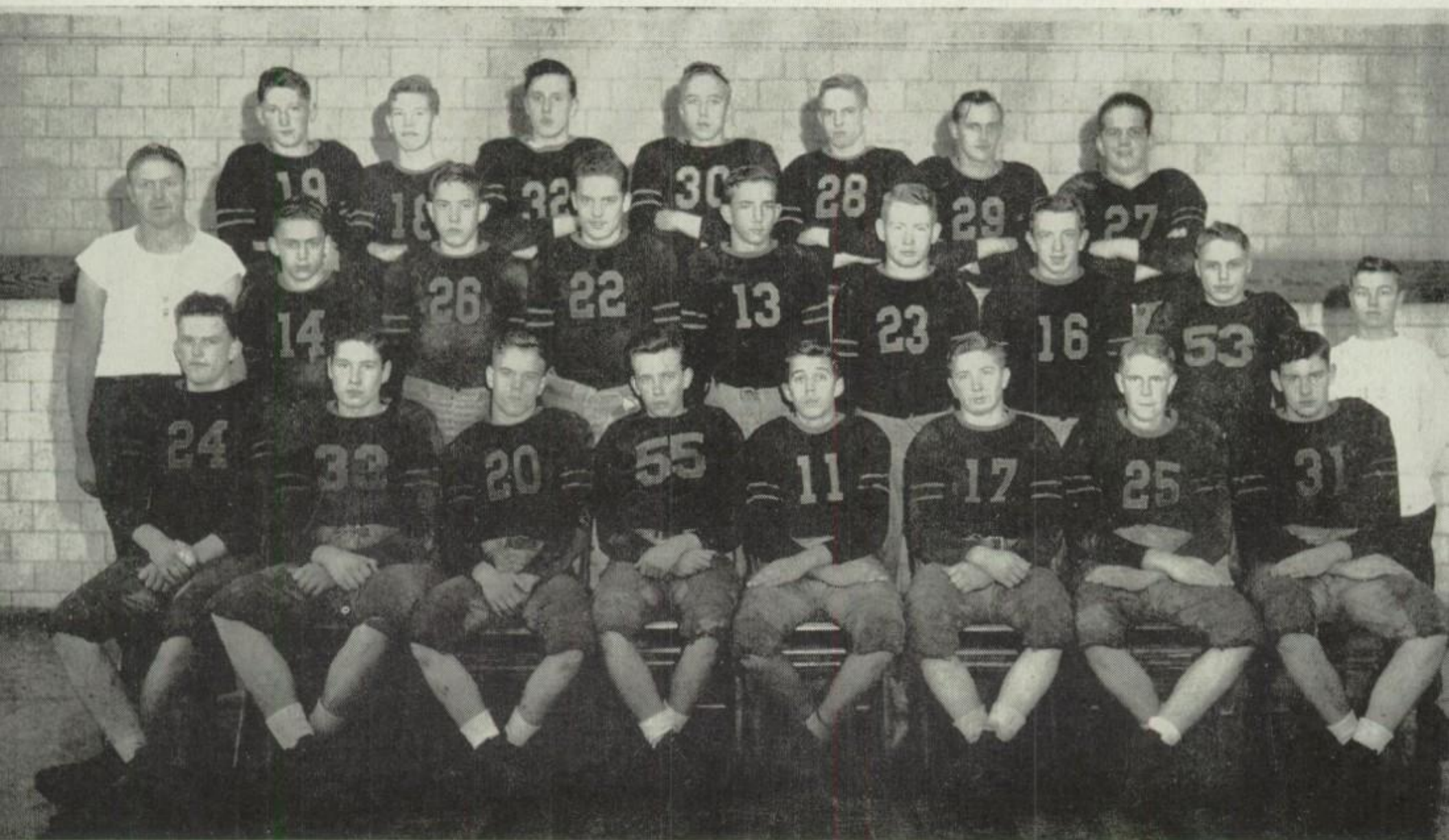




*Best of luck  
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you will  
see me  
next year*



## Reserve Football



Seated—D. Lytle, M. Post, D. Strang, J. Tibbott, B. Holtz, F. Kime, J. Hulse, D. Sidener  
 Row 2—Coach Veld, C. Harker, D. Borgert, L. Randall, B. Frame, T. Hart, L. Eberhard,  
 J. Schragg, W. Snook  
 Row 3—J. Carey, J. Borgart, E. Hilgendorf, R. Olman, D. Finch, A. Metzger, P. Sheetz

The "47" reserve squad under the direction of coach Garrett Veld started their season with an impressive win over the Coldwater Reserves. From then on they had a tough time of it by losing the rest of their games.

Many of the boys of this squad are expected to play varsity ball next year. There is much potential material among this squad and next year should see some fine ball players on the S.H.S. gridiron.

## Track

Track has returned to Sturgis High after a long absence from the athletic program. Because of the fact that it was the first year for this sport and also because of the lack of a good track, the team didn't "burn up" the Twin Valley Conference with any wonder squad.

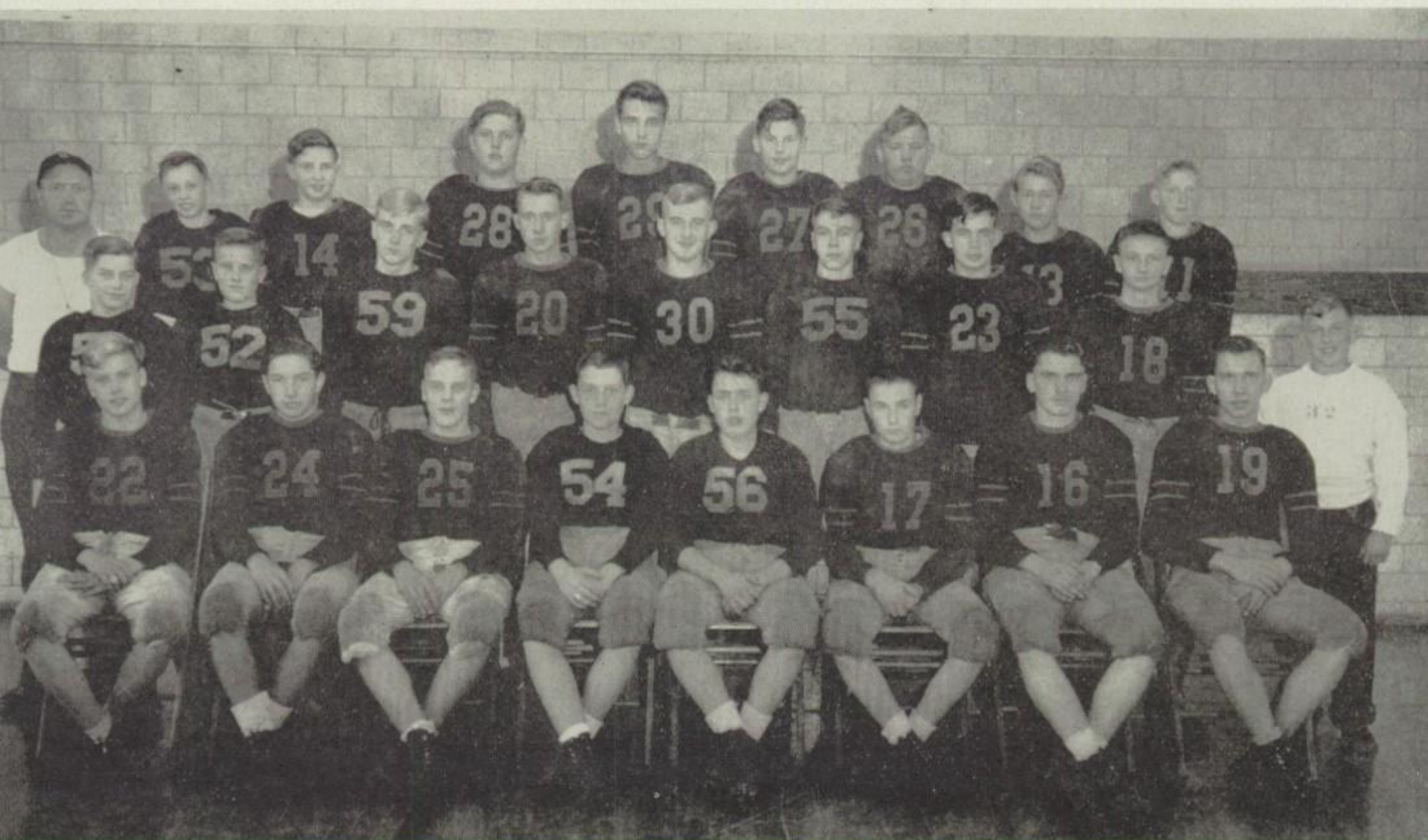
The "47" track team was organized as an experiment only. The fact that many boys were interested last year and a good turnout answered the track call indicates that it will probably be included as a Varsity Sport this year.



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# Midgets



Row 1—D. McBride, T. Walters, L. Franks, D. Miller, J. Wilson, J. Miller, K. Wagner, R. Hyde.

Row 2—J. Barnell, E. Wisler, J. Linder, H. Kasdorf, B. Klesert, R. Brubaker, T. Slack, D. Roberts, J. Davis

Row 3—Coach Garrett Veld, C. McLauchlin, R. Collins, T. Jeffreys, P. Jordan, D. Lewis, J. Quirin, J. Bertva, M. Cary.

The Sturgis Midget squad which contains next years Reserve players, played 3 games this year. They came out of their battles with 1 won, 1 lost and 1 tied record.

## WRESTLING TEAM

The Wrestling Team of "48" had 4 bouts with Howe Military School this year. The boys traveled to East Lansing where they participated in the state meet.

## WRESTLING

On Mat—R. Wallick, B. Kuenzel.

Row 1—R. Brubaker, B. Brand, D. Large, W. Dobberteen, L. Eberhard, H. Kasdorf, D. McBride, B. Klesert.

Row 2—T. Jeffreys, F. Kime, P. Sheetz, D. Strang.





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Bob Freeman—regular player at forward his junior year. Bob is tall and rangy and a very good shot.

Bill Ulmer—played regular guard his junior year. Bill is a good ball advancer and a very fast floor man.

Fred Zeeb—showed up very well in the last three games. Fred is an excellent shot and a very good ball handler. Zeeb

Ben Persing—Ben is a very big boy and he uses his height well under backboard. He is a junior. If he can develop



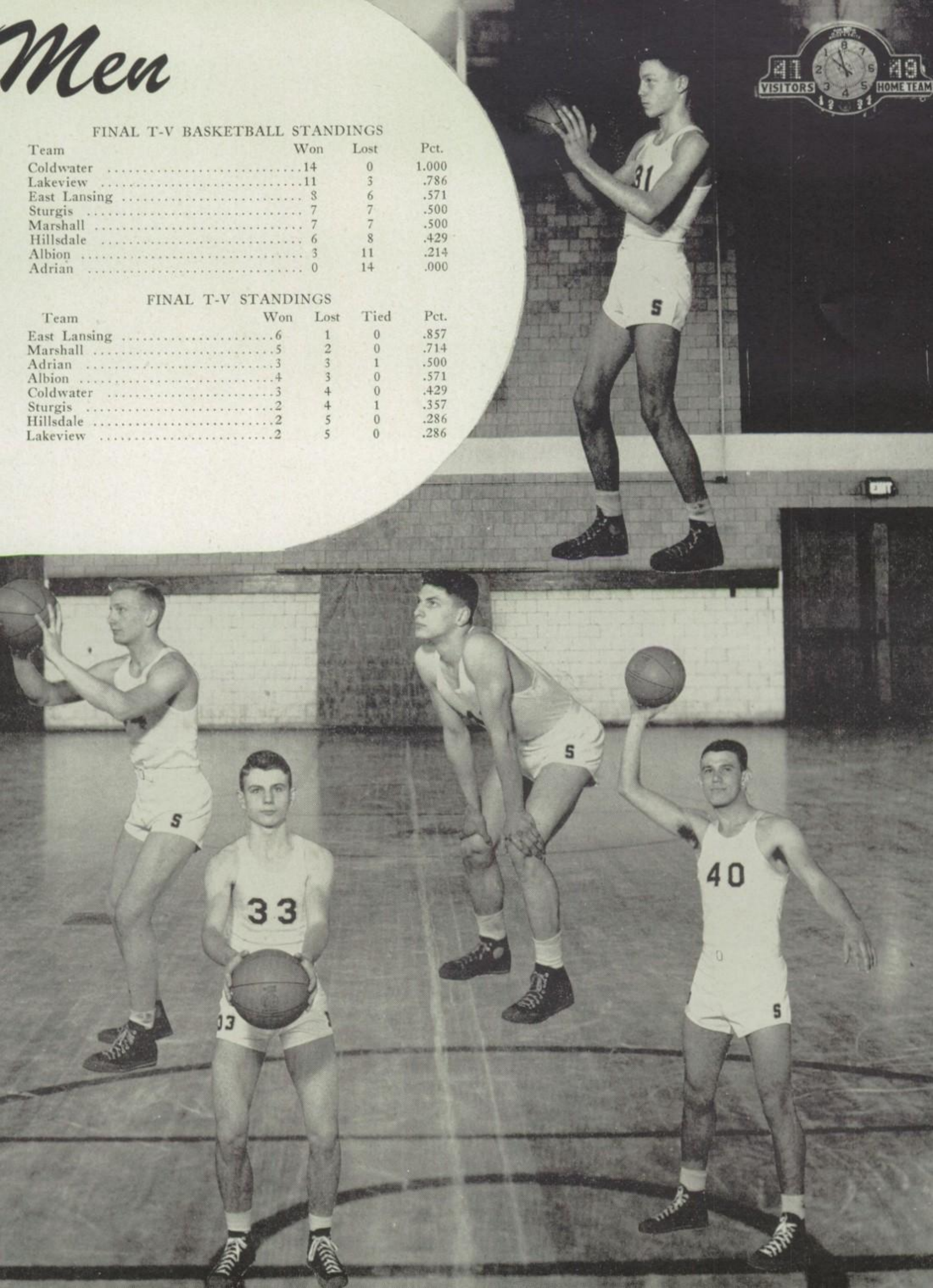
# Men

## FINAL T-V BASKETBALL STANDINGS

| Team               | Won | Lost | Pct.  |
|--------------------|-----|------|-------|
| Coldwater .....    | 14  | 0    | 1.000 |
| Lakeview .....     | 11  | 3    | .786  |
| East Lansing ..... | 8   | 6    | .571  |
| Sturgis .....      | 7   | 7    | .500  |
| Marshall .....     | 7   | 7    | .500  |
| Hillsdale .....    | 6   | 8    | .429  |
| Albion .....       | 3   | 11   | .214  |
| Adrian .....       | 0   | 14   | .000  |

## FINAL T-V STANDINGS

| Team               | Won | Lost | Tied | Pct. |
|--------------------|-----|------|------|------|
| East Lansing ..... | 6   | 1    | 0    | .857 |
| Marshall .....     | 5   | 2    | 0    | .714 |
| Adrian .....       | 3   | 3    | 1    | .500 |
| Albion .....       | 4   | 3    | 0    | .571 |
| Coldwater .....    | 3   | 4    | 0    | .429 |
| Sturgis .....      | 2   | 4    | 1    | .357 |
| Hillsdale .....    | 2   | 5    | 0    | .286 |
| Lakeview .....     | 2   | 5    | 0    | .286 |





# Basketball



1st RESERVE BASKETBALL

Standing from left to right.—D. Lewis, W. McLaughlin, C. Warner, J. Linder, Mr. Paul Miller.  
Seated—R. Jones, J. Frohriep, M. Post, D. Sidener, D. Finch, R. Dresser.



2nd RESERVES BASKETBALL

Row 1—D. Miller, D. Borgert, R. Wenzel, L. Randall, J. Bogart, R. Collins.  
Row 2—J. Davis, D. McCarthy, W. Persing, J. Tibbott, D. Roberts, Coach Paul Miller.





## THIRD RESERVES

Seated—R. Kime, L. Smoker, D. Almstead, D. Brubaker, D. Lunger, G. Snook.  
 Standing—Coach Finlay, D. Jones, W. Tupper, J. McLauchlin, G. Hunter, Mgr. J. Winger.

## BASKET BALL

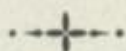
The 1st String Reserve team of the "48" season, under the coaching of Paul Miller, set a very good record. After dropping 4 games in a row at the beginning of the year, the Trojans went on to close the season with a string of 6 victories to bring their record up to a 10 won, 6 lost count. This reserve team was thought by many to contain the best potential material of any other reserve team in the conference.

The 2nd Reserves set a season record of 5 won, 4 lost. The boys on this team are Freshmen and Sophomores. These are the fellows who will step up to the position of 1st Reserves next year and a few may make the Varsity squad.

The 3rd reserves, or the Jr. High team had the best record of any team in S H.S. These boys went undefeated for the second straight year. Their record was 10 won, 0 lost. The 3rd Reserves are coached by Bob Finlay.

TOTAL INTERSCHOLASTIC BASKETBALL  
RECORD 1947-48

|              | Played | Won | Lost | Pct.  |
|--------------|--------|-----|------|-------|
| Varsity      | 16     | 9   | 7    | .563  |
| Reserves     | 16     | 10  | 7    | .625  |
| 2nd Varsity  | 4      | 0   | 4    | .000  |
| 2nd Reserves | 9      | 5   | 4    | .556  |
| Jr. High     | 10     | 10  | 0    | 1.000 |
| Totals       | 55     | 34  | 21   | .618  |





# Action In

"Oh, I'm stiff" is the refrain one hears after a good session of calisthenics in the gym. But after a few active periods of exercise everyone is limbered up and the daily dozens go off more easily.

Miss Aungst and Mr. Veld are the directors who teach the students you see in the pictures on these pages to master the skills and techniques in physical education activities—consisting of games such as ping pong, softball, soccer, volleyball, touch football, acrobatics of all sorts, and the regular calisthenic exercises.





# The Gym

In the spring and fall, much of the time is spent outdoors, but when the cold wind blows, they work and play indoors.

During the noon hour a complete intramural program is scheduled for the winter months, and on March 3-4 an Intramural Round Up is held. Admission is charged and the public is invited. This makes a fitting climax for the year's work in the gym for no fewer than 300 youngsters from the grades on up get their chance to parade "their stuff" before a packed gym of interested parents and friends.





# On the Baseball Diamond



Seated—B. Pannell, D. Ulrey, P. Lint, M. Lukomski, L. Hopkins, H. DeWitt, N. Kraft, D. Lamborne.  
Top Row—D. Mowry, B. Ulmer, J. Lint, F. David, D. Deter, J. Frohriep.

## BASEBALL—VARSITY AND RESERVE

Sturgis High School baseball team under the coaching of Robert Miller, athletic director, had a season somewhat under par in that they won 3 games and lost 4.

The pitching staff of the "47" squad was rather weak as neither of two regular pitchers, namely Dick Lamborne and Bill Ulmer, had much experience. Ulmer will be back for the "48" season with experience of game conditions under his belt and therefore should be much improved.

Jack Lint, regular catcher has two more seasons to go before graduation. Those boys who played regular and will not be back for the "48" season are: Bill Pannell, all-around athlete and star shortstop; Howard DeWitt, very desirable second baseman who came to us from Kalamazoo State High; Lyle Hopkins, letter winner in all sports, played first base; Marvin Lukomski, excellent fielder and ball hawk; Phil Lint, competent hitter and good fielder.

The reserve team under the directions of Mr. Wallace Maner, had a fine season of 5 won, 1 lost. Many of the boys on this reserve team will be expected to fill in vacant varsity posts this year.

## FINAL T-V BASEBALL STANDINGS

| Team               | Won | Lost | Pct. |
|--------------------|-----|------|------|
| Lakeview .....     | 6   | 1    | .857 |
| Adrian .....       | 5   | 2    | .714 |
| East Lansing ..... | 5   | 2    | .714 |
| Marshall .....     | 5   | 2    | .714 |
| Sturgis .....      | 3   | 4    | .429 |
| Coldwater .....    | 2   | 5    | .286 |
| Albion .....       | 1   | 6    | .143 |
| Hillsdale .....    | 0   | 7    | .000 |

## SEASON'S RESERVE BASEBALL RECORD

|               |    |                 |   |
|---------------|----|-----------------|---|
| Sturgis ..... | 4  | Colon .....     | 5 |
| Sturgis ..... | 3  | Burr Oak .....  | 1 |
| Sturgis ..... | 6  | Burr Oak .....  | 0 |
| Sturgis ..... | 15 | Coldwater ..... | 2 |
| Sturgis ..... | 2  | Colon .....     | 1 |
| Sturgis ..... | 11 | Coldwater ..... | 4 |

## SEASON'S BASEBALL RECORD

### Varsity

|               |    |                    |    |
|---------------|----|--------------------|----|
| Sturgis ..... | 15 | Constantine .....  | 1  |
| Sturgis ..... | 1  | Lakeview .....     | 4  |
| Sturgis ..... | 1  | Kalamazoo .....    | 7  |
| Sturgis ..... | 6  | Marshall .....     | 6  |
| Sturgis ..... | 6  | Albion .....       | 3  |
| Sturgis ..... | 16 | Hillsdale .....    | 1  |
| Sturgis ..... | 10 | Coldwater .....    | 11 |
| Sturgis ..... | 1  | East Lansing ..... | 2  |



# Coach Miller



The baseball team of 1948 will be the last Sturgis athletic team coached by Robert Miller. The opening of school next September will find Mr. Miller in the office of principal.

Mr. Miller has had a sensational record of games won and lost while coaching Sturgis teams.

He came to Sturgis in 1930 after coaching five

years at Mason. He was announced this year to be the dean of coaches in the powerful Twin Valley Conference. During his eighteen years as coach at Sturgis, he has compiled a record of 356 wins and 152 losses and 16 ties. This is indeed a very impressive record.

Mr. Miller, the students of Sturgis High School do hereby wish you all the luck in the world at your new position.



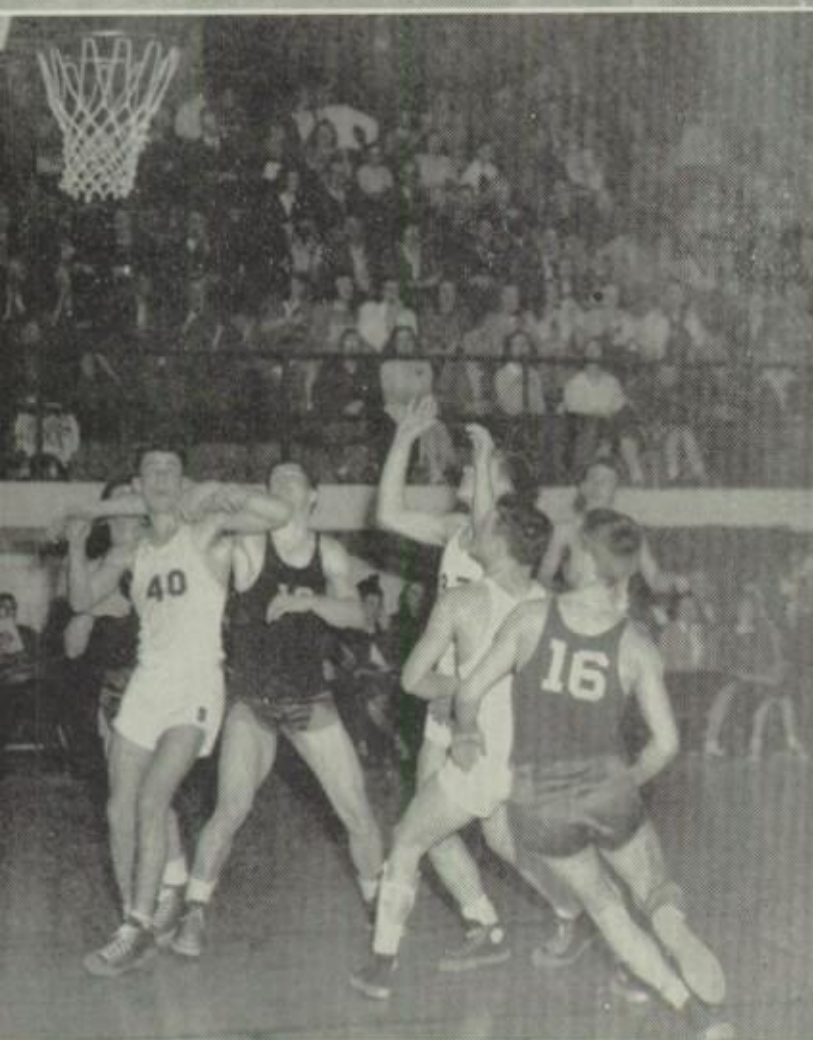
## RESERVE BASEBALL

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Row 2—B. Brown, J. Schragg, D. Strang, L. Eberhard, D. Lytle, D. Picker, J. Cary, W. McLaughlin, K. Borgert, A. Freeland, M. Smoker, F. Kime.

Top Row—D. Wenzel, D. Magnus, J. Hyde, M. Post, W. McPherson, B. Holtz, D. Finch, B. Jones, A. Metzger, J. Borgert, C. Warner, R. Dresser.





# Awards

FOOTBALL AWARDS 1947

## VARSITY "S"

Tom Walters, Bill Stapleton, Warren Renner, Jim Ford, Rondo Selser, Dick Briscoe, Frank Hanaway, Max Harker, Bill Linder, Don Loetx, George Shimp, Bill Sprister, Lloyd West, Bob Freeman, Douglas Mowry, Benny Persing, Bill Ulmer, Bob Brown, Dick Deter, Alan Freeland, Jack Lint, Bill Dobberteen, Jack Frohriep.

## VARSITY RESERVE "S"

Phil Pugh, Ed Hilgendorf, Bob Kuenzel, Dick Oman, Paul Scheetz, Bill Yunker, Jim Bogart, Dick Brubaker, John Cary, Leland Eberhard, Dave Finch, Bob Frame, Carl Harker, Ted Hart, Bill Holtz, Bob Jones, Frank Kime, Joe Linder, Don Lytle, Arland Metzger, Marvin Post, John Schragg, Dean Sidener, Dick Strang, Joel Tibbott, Douglas Borgert, John Hulse, Lonnie Randall.

## SERVICE MONOGRAM "19S47"

Paul Jordan, Bob Collins, Richard Hyde, Clare McLauchlin, Dan Roberts, Thurman Slack, Jim Wilson, Jack Barnell, John Bertva, Harold Cary, Larry Franks, Tom Jeffreys, Howard Kasdorf, Bob Klesert, Dean Lewis, Douglas McBride, Dave Miller, Jack Miller, Jerry Quirin, Tom Walters, Kenneth Wegner, Eddie Wisler.

## MANAGERS

Wayne McLauchlin, Bob Brand, Wayne Snook, Jerry Davis.





# Awards

## BASKETBALL AWARDS 1947-48

### VARSITY "S"

Rondo Selser, Bill Stapleton, Tom Walters, Phil Pugh, Douglas Mowry, Robert Freeman, Bill Ulmer, Fred Zeeb.

### VARSITY RESERVE "rS"

Benny Persing, Ray Dresser, Wayne McLauchlin, Dave Finch, Jack Frohriep, Bob Jones, Joe Linder, Marvin Post, Dean Sidener, Charles Warner.

### SERVICE MONOGRAMS

Jim Bogart, Bob Collins, Wendell Persing, Dan Roberts, Joel Tibbott, Dick Wenzel, Douglass Borgert, Dan McCarthy, Dave Miller, Lonnie Randall.

### MANAGERS

Norman Kraft, Jerry Davis, Dean Lewis.

## BASEBALL AWARDS 1947

### VARSITY "S"

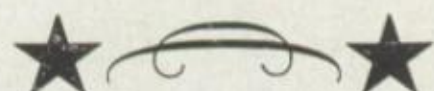
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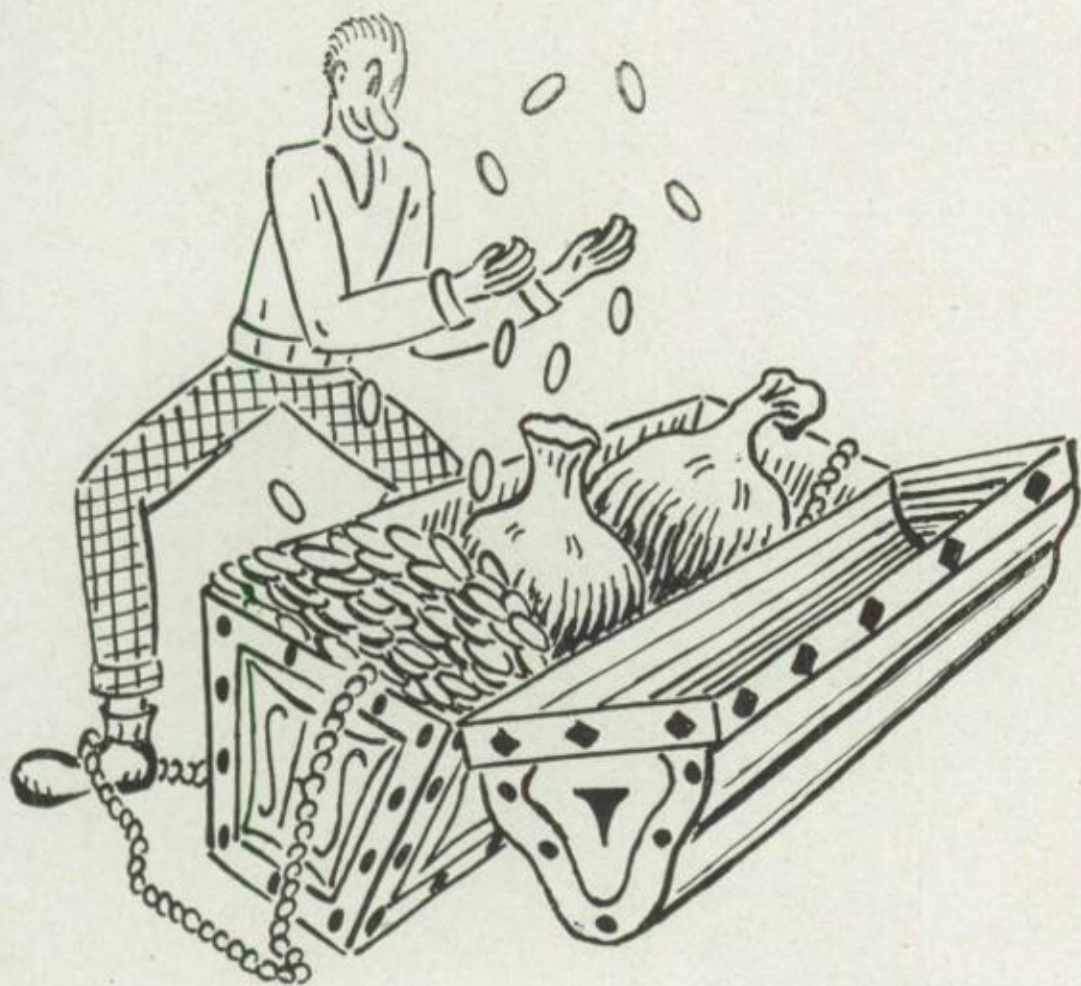
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### SERVICE MONOGRAM "19S47"

Ray Dresser, Bob Jones, Dan Roberts, Ronald Robbins, Robert Brand, John Niggli, Dick Brubaker, Bob Collins, Bill Holtz, John Cary, Marvin Post, Arland Metzger, Richard Wenzel, Charles Warner, Richard Hyde, David Finch.



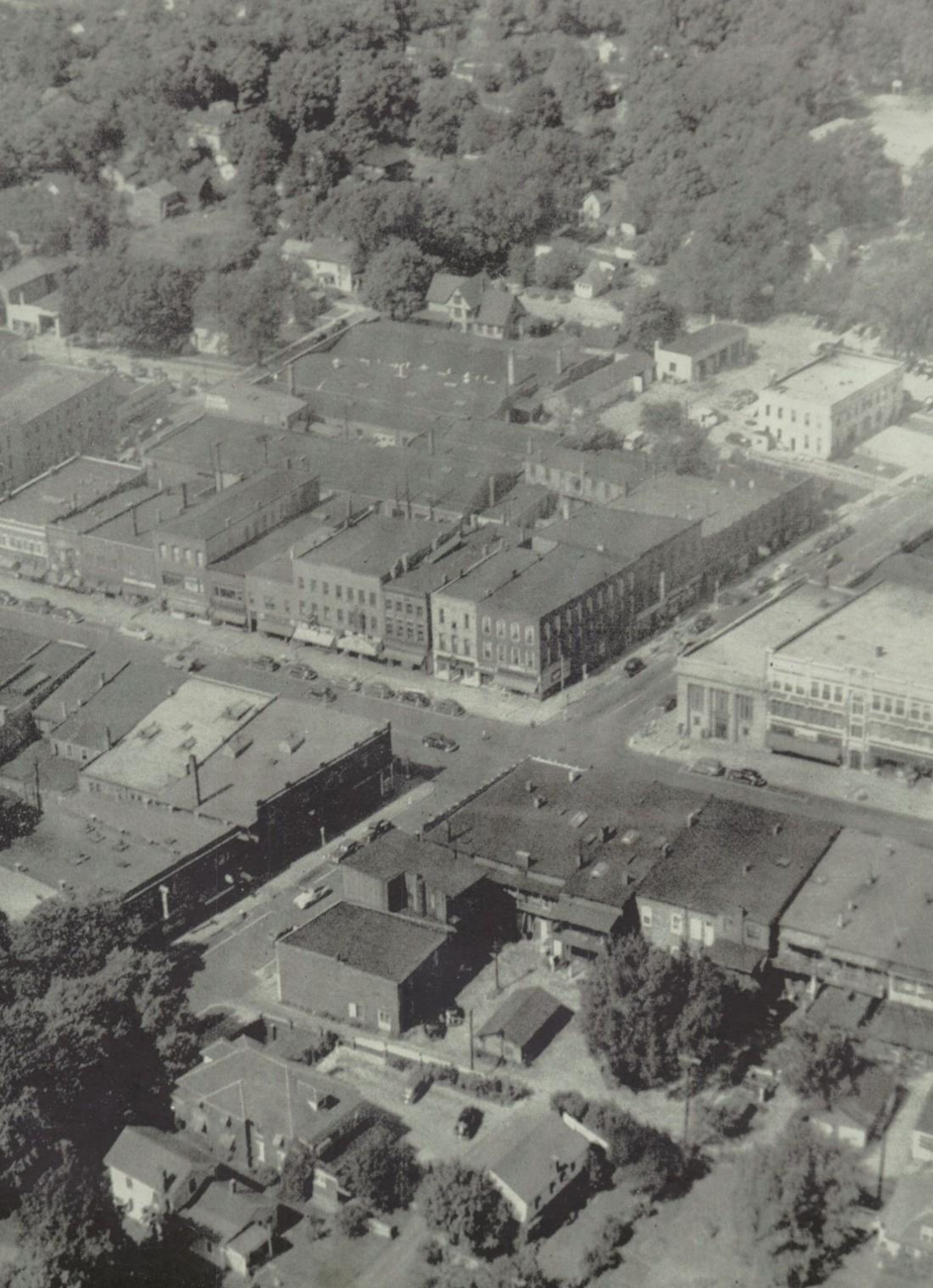




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  - 19—Football season opens with game at Adrian. 14-14. We're off to a good start. Seems a school boy got mighty generous passing out "Luckies" in session room. Hush, hush.
  - 24—Our up and coming Reserves meet Coldwater.
  - 25—Too bad some people didn't know their American History today!
  - 26—Our husky Varsity team met East Lansing. Sorry boys, better luck next time.
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8—Hillsdale game. Another victory.

9—The new Chemistry "studes" are initiated in the lab. A certain girl pulls out a drawer—glass everywhere.

17—Trojans meet Marshall, football field in total darkness for half an hour.  
Journalism students visit Michigan State College for the day.

24—Game with Albion. Trojans lose by only two points.  
Seniors hear the old refrain "Stay awake, pay attention, don't let this slip by."

28—Corn and cider everywhere you look, you guessed it the Student Union Halloween Party tonight.

31—Trojans whip the day-lights out of the Wildcats . . . . Good work, boys.  
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12—Kryll and his all girl orchestra entertain at  
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13—Name cards have arrived! This is the begin-  
ning of the end.

19—Open House for Mom and Dad. I wonder how  
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20—Mr. DeWitt gets an eye-wash with soap and  
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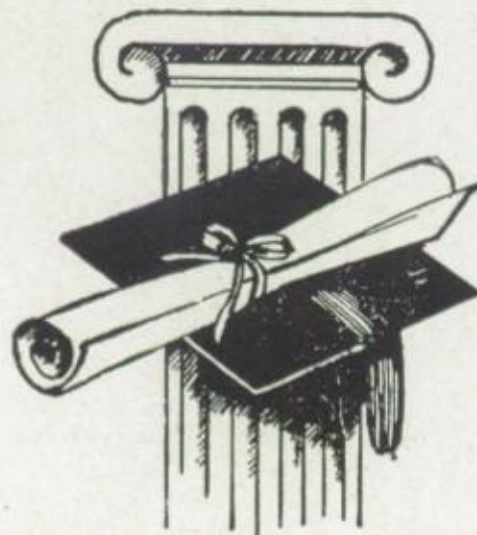
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- 10—Nutchuk, the Eskimo, in native garb gives interesting talk for assembly.
- 12—Group of new girls appear around school . . . New girls? ? Those are only Varsity Club initiates . . . Pretty poor imitations of our fairer sex, we think.
- 16—Second game of the season with Three Rivers here. We win. Let's keep up the good work now.
- 18—Our boys bring home the bacon again. A win over East Lansing.
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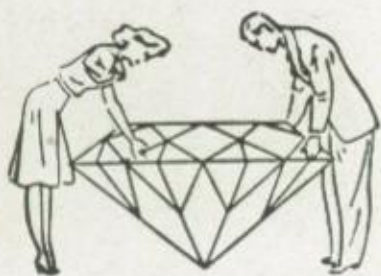
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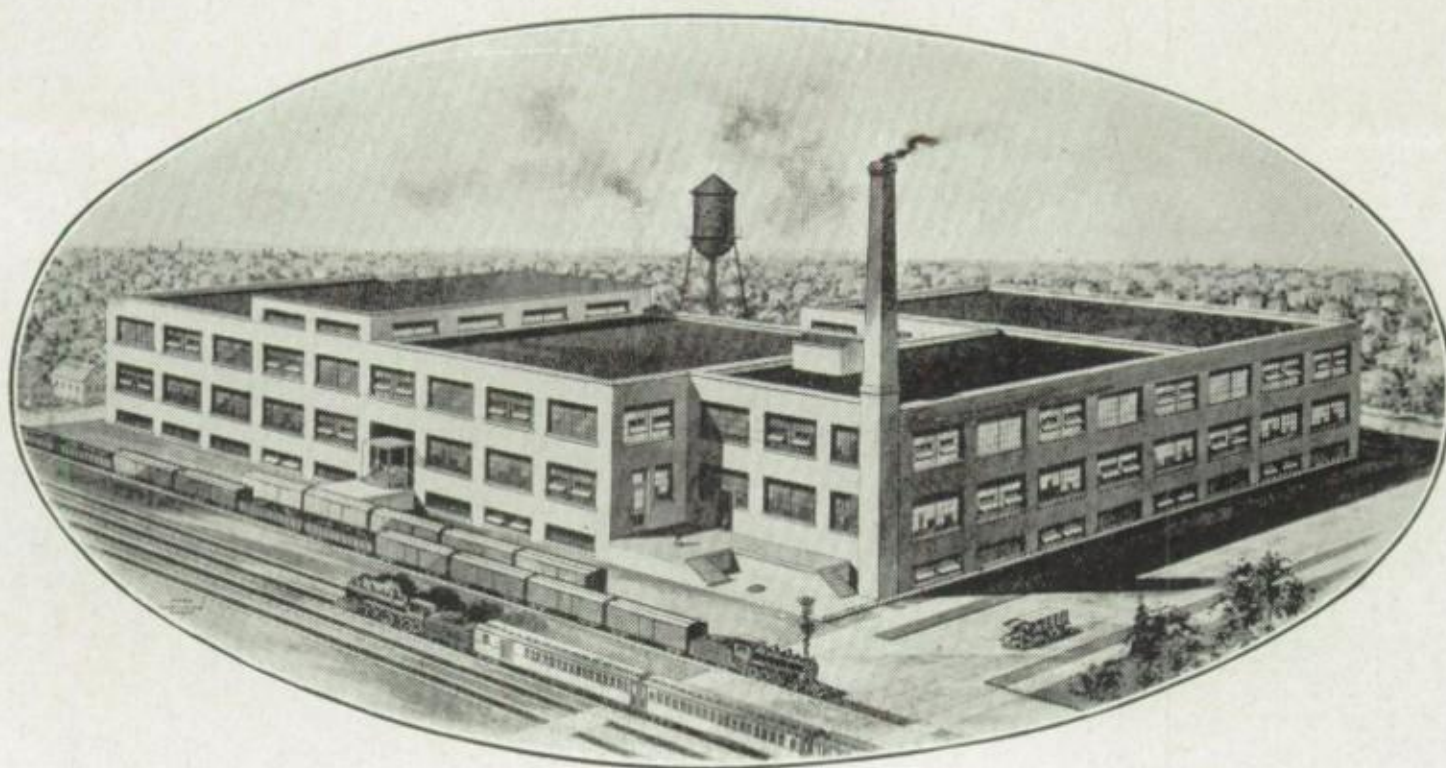
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- 6—Game with Hillsdale. Another win! Gee I hope we're in the groove now.
- 9—Whoops! Albion beat us—What happened? We're removed from second place to third.
- 13—Aw—Heck. Coldwater gave us a beating too, but only by two points.
- 14—Hurrah! We won! Yea! Adrian goes home beaten. GAA Assembly—Truth and Consequences! and what consequences. Salty hangs from the rafters. Phil P. dons baby bonnet to sit on Mrs. S's. lap.
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- 6—East Lansing invades our court and hands us a drubbing. Sorry, pals!
- 10—We invade the Wildcats' den and rout them. Yes, really, we won!
- 11—Journalism class motors to LaGrange for "Town Meeting of the Air". Remember how the speakers drooled while the rest of us feasted on hamburgers and "cokes"?
- 12—Norman Coates Webster gives assembly program, and makes us realize that poetry can be enjoyed.
- 13—Oh! oh! we got a trimming at Hillsdale.
- 14—Cupid has his day at school.
- 18—Sorry, but we find it necessary to repeat the old refrain "Lost Again". This time to Coldwater.
- 20—This has been a big day for everybody. Ping Pong assembly was lots of fun and to top it off, we defeated Albion! Hurray!
- 22—University of Michigan's band director, Mr. Revelli, conducts Band Play Shop. Work, fun, and a huge success!
- 23—The Hillsdale Hornets sting us badly!
- 27—Last game of season! We end by punishing Adrian on their own floor.

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- 4-5-6—District Basket-ball Tournament. We lose to Three Rivers.
- 9-10—Choral Department presents Victor Herbert's "Sweethearts"—A two night success and how!
- 12—Everyone has "Sabre Dance Boogie" on the brain.
- 16-17—Intramural Round-Up Night. Two nights filled to the brim with fun.
- 20—Band goes to Kalamazoo to District Band Festival.
- 23—8th. Grade sends 180 pairs of shoes to Bremen, Germany.
- 24—Everyone cleaned out their lockers today.
- 25-26—F.H.A. sends four representatives to a District Meet at Lansing.
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  - 7—Mark Moyer advertises his car for sale. His oboe included.
  - 9—Have you seen Mable?
  - 12—Soloists went to Lansing and brought home 5 firsts. Good going!
  - 13—There's the faculty eating again. Where? At the weekly Home Ec. Tea.
  - 15—Home Ec. II classes invade Chicago.
  - 16—Awards Assembly for basketball and Quill and Scroll.
  - 20—Baseball season opens. Sturgis 3-Constantine 0.
  - 21—Sturgis goes to Coldwater for Exchange Assembly, and Sturgis band sends four players to Detroit to All State Band Meet.
  - 23—Side shows, fish ponds, fun house, dart throwing, cake walks, and King crowned. Where? At the Penny Carnival.
  - 24—Hobo Hop. Cotton frocks and bobby socks.
  - 26—Assembly with De Willo Duo, famed accordion player.
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- 3-4—Reserves play White Pigeon. Varsity at Kalamazoo.
- 5—Annual Band Bust. Nice music—you said it!
- 7—More baseball—Marshall plays here.
- 8—State Chorus Meet at Ann Arbor.
- 10-18—Games and more games—White Pigeon, Colon, Albion, Hillsdale.
- 22—Flowers, ruffles, flares, music, strictly stunning girls, and handsome boys—what a perfect J-Hop.
- 21—Closing events do roll around, and here's those Senior exams.
- 24—Seniors leave for Boat Trip. How peaceful the halls are!
- 27—Seniors return from their trip. Reports are all favorable. 'Best time ever' is the refrain.
- 29—Senior Banquet—Sturgensians are out.
- 30—Baccalaureate and first appearance of those caps and gowns.

## June

- 1-2—Exams, Exams are here—the word goes round.
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